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MINUTES

OF THE

FIRST ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

CAROLINA BAPTIST ASSOCIATION,

HELD WITH

DOUBLE SPRING CHURCH,

HENDERSON COUNTY, N. C.

OCTOBER 19, 20, 1877. 1877

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FIRST DAY—FRIDAY, Oct. 19th.

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At 11 o'clock, A. M., the Association was called to order, by the election of Elder E. J. Mullenax, as Moderator and W. C. Ward, as Clerk *pro tem.* The congregation then sung a hymn and were led in prayer by the Moderator.

The Moderator appointed J. W. Middleton and T. E. Waters, Reading Clerks. Letters from Churches were then read and Delegates' names enrolled, as follows:

Double Springs.—W. C. Ward, G. B. Henderson and B. Ward.

Mountain Page.—Eld. A. Heatherly, J. W. Middleton, M. Russell, J. J. Davis, R. W. Staton, C. Heatherly, Rufus Rhodes and James Pace.

Gap Creek.—Elders M. E. Smith, W. B. Johnson, T. W. Mullenax and L. B. Johnson.

Mountain Hill.—Joshua Pruett, E. Pruett and H. Pruett.

Cross Roads.—M. Heatherly and H. C. Ward.

Oak Grove.—T. E. Waters.

Then proceeded to the election of officers, which resulted as follows:

Elder M. E. Smith, *Moderator;* W. C. Ward, *Secretary,* and W. B. Johnson, *Treasurer.*

The Moderator appointed B. Ward, M. Heatherly and Jas. Pace, a committee to select a minister to preach the introductory sermon, which selected Elder M. E. Smith for that duty. Elder Smith thereupon preached the sermon from the 1st verse of the 133d Psalm.

A recess of 10 minutes was then taken.

On the re-assembling of the Association an invitation to seats was extended to transient ministers. Elders E. J. Mullenax, W. P. Turner, M. Corn and D. W. Revis accepted the same.

The Moderator then appointed the following committees:

Arrangements.—J. Pruett, J. W. Middleton, M. Heatherly and T. E. Waters, to which the moderator and clerk were added.

Preaching.—M. Russell, E. Pruett and Jas. Pace, and the Deacons of Double Springs church.

Finance.—J. Pace, L. B. Johnson and T. W. Mullenax.

To select Time and Place for next Association.—Elders W. B. Johnson, A. Heatherly and R. Staton.

To select Ministers to preach the next Introductory and Missionary sermons.—S. B. Hudson, P. Kuykendall and B. Ward.

Union Meetings.—W. C. Ward, G. B. Hudson and B. Ward.

On motion, it was resolved that on re-assembling to-morrow morning the Association devote half-an-hour to devotional exercises.

Association then adjourned till 9 A. M. to-morrow.

Second Day—Saturday Oct. 20th.

Association met at 9 A. M., pursuant to adjournment. Half-an-hour was devoted to devotional exercises, conducted by J. W. Middleton.

Sang a hymn and prayer by Elder M. Corn.

Rules of decorum read.

Minutes of proceedings read.

Opportunity extended to churches to unite with the Association.

The reports of committees were then called for:

The Committee of Arrangement, to whom all papers were referred, reported the following order of business:

1st. Roll call and absentees noted.

2nd. Rules of order read.

3rd. Minutes read and corrected.

4th. Opportunity offered for churches to unite with this Association.

5th. Call for reports of Committees.

6th. That in accordance with the request of Gap Creek church, a committee be appointed to investigate her standing on account of certain charges made against her by Providence church to the Transylvania Association.

7th. Transient Ministers invited to seats.

8th. Call for correspondence.

9th. Report of Treasurer.

10th. Report of Missionary.

11th. Election of Missionary.

12th. Appointment of Missionary Boards.

13th. Call for Resolutions.

14th. Appointment of Correspondents.

15th. Miscellaneous business.

All of which is respectfully submitted by JOSHUA PRUETT, *Chm'n.*

On motion the order of business submitted by the committee was adopted.

ON THE STATE OF RELIGION.

The committee on the state of religion report that the Holy Spirit of God seems to be abroad among the churches. That much good seems to be done in the way of bringing sinners to repentance. But we don't think that there is that kind of feeling existing between churches and christians that should. Our churches need a better understanding of Bible discipline, and they fail to a great extent, to look after the wants of their pastors, which we hope will be remedied. If our churches and brethren would subscribe for some good religious paper it would give us a correct knowledge on both points. May we all endeavor to work and pray more for Zion and each other. All of which is respectfully submitted by

J. W. MIDDLETON, *Chm'n.*

Read and adopted.

NEXT ASSOCIATION.

The committee to select the time and place for the next Association reported in favor of its convening at Mountain Page church, Henderson county, N. C., commencing on the Friday preceding the 3rd Lord's day in October 1878, at 11 o'clock, A. M.

ON SERMONS.

The committee to select ministers to preach the next Introductory and Missionary sermons reported as its selection, Elder E. J. Mullenax to preach the Introductory sermon with Elder A. Heatherly, as alternate: Elder M. E. Smith to preach the Missionary sermon with Eld. J. W. Middleton, as alternate.

The above reports were adopted and the committees discharged.

J. Pruett, T. E. Waters, M. Heatherly, J. A. Staton, J. W. Middleton, A. Heatherly, G. B. Henderson, B. Ward, R. Rhodes, E. Crompton and M. Corn, were then appointed a committee to investigate the standing of Gap Creek church.

Intermission of one hour.

Association again called to order.

The committee in the case of Gap Creek church made the following report:

That we learn from the minutes of the Transylvania Association of 1874, that that church was charged with certain grievances by Providence church, and a committee was appointed to investigate the same. That that committee reported to the Association at Crab Creek, in 1875, that the grievances had been settled between Providence and Gap Creek churches, by Gap Creek church disavowing a certain act which constituted the grievance; that the minutes of the Association held with Mount Moriah church in 1876 contain specific charges against Gap Creek church pertaining to matters occurring prior to the settlement, in 1876, which does not accord with Baptist discipline and custom; that we believe that these charges were made for the purpose of getting a certain organized body into the Association, which they knew Gap Creek church would reject, one-half of its material being composed of excluded members of said Gap Creek church. After a careful examination and close scrutiny of the minutes of Transylvania Association of 1874–5–6, your committee believe and hereby report that Gap Creek church is in good standing. All of which is respectfully submitted by

JOSHUA PRUETT, *Chm'n.*

Report read, adopted and committee discharged.

The committee on Union Meetings reported:

1st. Dist.—At Gap Creek church, commencing on Friday before the 5th Sabbath in March, 1878. M. E. Smith and E. J. Mullenax to attend.

2nd. Dist.—At Mountain Hill, commencing on Friday before the 5th Sabbath in June, 1878. M. E. Smith and J. W. Middleton to attend.

3rd. Dist.—At Oak Grove, commencing on Friday before the 5th Sabbath in September, 1878. M. E. Smith and A. Heathe ly to attend.

Each meeting to continue 3 days.

ON FINANCE.

Received from Churches for printing minutes,	$ 6.95
Received from collection,	5.05
Total amount received.	$12.00

Both these reports were read and adopted.

On motion of Joshua Pruett, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the thanks of this Association are hereby tendered to the brethren and good people in the vicinity of Double Springs church for the hospitable manner in which they have entertained us during the meeting of the Association.

The Association appointed the following correspondents:

Greenville Association.—J. J. Davis, M. E. Smith, J. W. Middleton and Joshua Pruett.

Twelve Mile Association.—W. B. Johnson, L. B. Johnson, T. E. Waters and M. E. Smith.

The Association having concluded its regular business, adjourned to meet with the Mountain Page church, on Friday before the 3rd Sabbath in October, 1878, at 11 o'clock, A. M. Previous to adjournment, the hymn,

"How I long to be like Jesus," &c.,

was sung, the right hand of fellowship given by each of the members, in token of friendship and union, and the benediction pronounced by the moderator.

M. E. SMITH, Moderator,
Greenville, S. C.

W. C. WARD, Clerk,
Hendersonville, N. C.

The stand was occupied on Sabbath by the following brethren:

Elder M. E. Smith preached the first sermon from Prov. ix: 1; followed by Elder E. J. Mullenax, from I Kings xviii: 12, as the Missionary sermon, after which a collection was taken up amounting to $5,05. In the evening Eld. C. M. Phillips officiated.

ORDAINED MINISTERS.—A. Heatherly, M. E. Smith.

LICENTIATES.—W. B. Johnson, J. W. Middleton, John Tankesly.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	CLERKS.	POST-OFFICES.	Meeting day	Baptized	Rec. by Letter	Restored	Dismissed	Excluded	Dead	Total	Contributions for Minutes.
Double Springs,	M. E. Smith.	W. C. Ward,	Green River	4	00	4	00	1	1	00	63	$2 05
Mountain Page,	James Blythe,	L. E. Ward,	Flat Rock	1	53	1	9	3	3	1	293	1 65
Gap Creek,	M. E. Smith,	W. B. Johnson,	Middle Saluda, S. C.,	1	00	00	00	00	00	00	100	1 75
Mountain Hill,	B. E. Chastain.	Joshua Pruett,	Highland Grove, "	4	5	4	1	7	00	00	50	1 00
Cross Roads,	W. S. Case.	Levi Jones.	Flat Rock	3	00	2	00	0	00	00	81	00
Oak Grove.	M. E. Smith.	T. E. Waters,	Flat Rock.	2	00	2	00	00	00	00	37	50

CONSTITUTION.

We, the members of the Baptist Church of Jesus Christ, who have, on profession of our faith in Him, been immersed, believing that the Holy Scriptures are the only standard of faith and duty for christians, enjoining as they do zealous and continued effort in promoting the cause of our blessed Lord, do now unite in this Association under this Constitution, for the advancement of the objects therein stated.

ARTICLE 1st. This Association shall be called the CAROLINA BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, and shall be composed of representatives chosen by each church in the Union, from among the number of its own members, who shall carry to each meeting of the body, certificates of their election, with a statement of the membership, condition and prospects of the church they represent, the names of its licensed and ordained ministers, and such contributions as have been made for benevolent objects, which shall be appropriated only as the donors may direct.

2nd. This Association shall meet annually, and shall be organized as soon as the names of the representatives are enrolled, by the selection of a Moderator, a Clerk and a Treasurer, by ballot, who shall hold offices until the next annual meeting.

3rd. Each church shall be entitled to a representation of three delegates, and an additional one for every 25 members in excess of fifty.

4th. The Association shall be governed by such Rules of Order as it may from time to time adopt.

5th. Any church holding the principles of the doctrine of Christ, and the order of His house, as generally held by those denominated Baptists may connect itself with this Association at any meeting of the same.

6th. The decisions of the Association shall, in all cases, except in the matter of amendments to the Constitution, be made by a majority vote, but amendments to the Constitution must be adopted by a two-third vote. Amendments may be adopted at any meeting of the Association.

7th. The Association reserves the inalienable right to expel any church that abandons the principles of this organization.

8th. This Association holds that the Churches of Christ, though not possessed of sovereign authority, are, nevertheless, in their government, independent of each other, and of all other ecclesiastical organizations, and accountable to no tribunal, but to Christ only, and holds that while it is the duty of all churches, in temporal matters, to be obedient to the laws of the land, in spiritual matters, they should be obedient alone to Jesus Christ, their only head and law-giver.

9th. While this Association holds that each church of Christ is an independent body, as above stated, it does not regard itself as an advisory council, although it does not deem it amiss to give counsel, and answer queries, when petitioned by the churches; but, the Association is of opinion, that the best mode of settling differences between churches, is to take the same scriptural steps as are prescribed for the settling of difficulties between members; that the church that feels aggrieved should send a statement of the cause of grievance to the sister church which gave the offence, and if it will not give christian satisfaction, then call upon one or two sister churches to assist in a settlement, and if the offending church will not listen then, then report the same to this body, which will not pay any attention to such complaints unless the above course of procedure has been complied with.

10th. This Association will not admit, or receive, any church into membership in the union, that is known to be in disorder, or composed of members excluded from another church of the same order of this Association.

11th. Any church in good standing in this Association shall at any time be allowed the privilege of withdrawing from the same.

12th. This Association may correspond and form a brotherly union with any Baptist organization holding similar views of doctrine and duty, with those held by this body.

13th. This Association may appoint as many Boards, or Committees, as may be necessary for carrying on the business and accomplishing the objects of its organization. These, when so appointed, shall make reports at the times appointed by the Association.

14th. The minutes shall be read and corrected, if necessary, in the morning of each day of the session, and at the close of the last day.

15th. As the business of the Association must be finished before its adjournment, no member shall be allowed to depart from any of its sessions without leave.

16th. The Association shall keep a Book in which this Constitution, and a minute of each session, shall be recorded, which book shall be present at every meeting of the Association.

RULES OF ORDER.

1st. The annual meetings of the Association shall open by singing and prayer, at half-past 10 o'clock, on the Friday before the third Lord's day in each year. At this hour the Moderator, or, in his absence, the clerk, shall call the members to order, when the certificates will be presented, and the names of the members enrolled. The body will then be organized by the election of officers, and thus organized, attend upon the introductory discourse, at the close of which, the Association will take recess or proceed to business.

2. The order of business is to open the door—1. For membership. 2. For correspondence. 3. For any business coming up regularly.

3. The association shall on each day open and close with prayer by the Moderator, or a brother, at his request. The title of "Brother" shall be used in all the meetings of the body.

4. The Moderator shall preside in the meetings of the body, keep and decide questions of order, subject to an appeal from members.

5. Questions shall be decided by "Aye" or "No;" doubtful cases by the rising of the members to their feet until they are counted.

6. The Moderator shall appoint all Committees, except those ordered by ballot.

7. In all cases by ballot, the Moderator may vote; in other cases he may not, unless the body be equally divided, or unless his vote, if given to the minority, will make the division equal, and in that case the question shall be lost.

8. A member may, on motion, submit any subject to the consideration of the Association that relates to its design or objects, and if seconded, it shall receive due consideration, except it be withdrawn by the mover with the consent of the body.

9. If two or more members shall rise to speak at the same time, the Moderator shall decide the priority of right.

10. If a member shall violate any of these rules, any member may, but the Moderator shall, call him to order.

11. No member shall speak on the same subject oftener than twice, without leave of the association, except to explain.

12. A member, in making a motion, speaking, or in debate, shall rise and address the Moderator respectfully.

13. When a motion is made and seconded, it shall be stated by the Moderator before debate.

14. When the Moderator is putting the question, or addressing the body, no member shall walk out of or across the house, nor, when a member is

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Seventh Annual Meeting

OF THE

CAROLINA

Baptist Association,

HELD WITH

DOUBLE SPRINGS CHURCH, HENDERSON COUNTY, N. C.,

OCTOBER 19TH, 20TH AND 21ST, 1883.

COMPILED BY

W. C. WARD, CLERK, GREEN RIVER, N. C.

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NAMES AND POST OFFICES OF ORDAINED MINISTERS.

TURNER, W. P.	Merrettsville S. C.	DILL, J. A.	Bellevue S. C.
BROOKSHIER, J. L.	Flat Rock N. C.	NELSON, T. F.	" "
MIDDLETON, J. W.	Saluda "	MACE, G. W.	Hendersonville N. C.
RHODES, J. R.	" "	CHASTAIN, B. E.	Highland Gr've S.C.
PHILLIPS, C. M.	Green River "		

LICENTIATES.

H. Patton, Green River, N. C.; D. W. Revis, Green River, N. C.; W. B. Johnson, Middle Saluda, S. C.; T. J. Waters, Flat Rock, N. C.; M. Heatherly, Green River, N. C.; John Gosnell, Tigerville, S. C.; H. K. Heatherly, Green River, N. C.; L. C. Hamilton, Hendersonville, N. C., J. C. Capps, Green River, N. C.; G. W. Johnson, Hendersonville, N. C.

PROCEEDINGS.

FRIDAY MORNING, October 19th, 1883

The Carolina Baptist Asocciaion met and was called to order by the Moderator. Sang a hymn and was led in prayer by A. S. Whitmire.

The Moderator then appointed J. W. Middleton and Joshua Pruitt as Reading Clerks.

Letters were read from the constituent churches; names of delegates enrolled, and the state of the churches minuted.

The Moderator then appointed A. C. Robertson, and W. B. Johnson as tellers for the election, which resulted as follows:

J. R. Rhodes, Moderator, W. C. Ward, Clerk, and G. B. Hudson, Treasurer.

The Association took recess for ten minutes.

Called together by singing.—heard the Introductory Sermon by J. W. Middleton. Text:—John 20:21.

On motion, took up the order of business of last session for the evening.

Called for correspondents and received B. F. Neves, E. J. Mullenax and A. D. Bowers, from the Greenville Association. From the Twelve Mile Association, A. S. Whitmire and B. F. Reed, who were given the right hand of fellowship and welcomed to seats in the body.

Opened the door of the Association for the reception of churches. Received Cedar Springs, Shaws' Creek, Green Mountain, New Liberty, Cross Roads and Beulah. The letter from Beulah was tabled, and the order of the church considered by an investigating committee.

On motion, the Constitution was read.

On motion, a committee was appointed to investigate into the standing of Beulah church, and report the same. The following brethren were appointed: J. A. Dill, T. F. Nelson, A. D. Bowers, A. S. Whitmire and B. F. Reed.

REPORT.

Your committee find after examination, that the action of the body is in accordance with the tenth section of the Constitution. The difficulty, as mentioned before the body, is the receiving of an excluded member into her fellowship. The pastor, the clerk and brother Hamilton, who is a Licentiate of Beulah church, and the other delegates, who are present from from Beulah church, promise, on their return, and at the proper time, to advise the church to rescind her action of receiving this member into her fellowship, and upon this promise of the brethren above mentioned, we, your committee, recommend that Beulah church be received into the membership of this body; and should she fail to rescind her act that she be excluded from membership at the next meeting of the body.

J. A. DILL, Chairman.

Adopted.

The Moderator appointed the following committees :

On Arrangements.—R. W. Staton, T. E. Waters, A. C. Robertson, J. L. Brookshier, J. W. Middleton, with the Moderator and Clerk.

On Preaching.—P. T. Ward, H. Pruitt, A. Stewart, with the deacons of this church.

On Finance.—J. T. Staton, W. A. Fortune and J. W. Ward.

To Appoint Ministers to preach the next Introductory and Missionary Sermons.—Joshua Pruitt, J. S. Gentle, J. W. Ward, R. W. Staton and G. B. Hudson.

On Time and Place of next Association.—H. Pruitt, John Kuykendall and William Turner.

On Union Meetings.—J. Howard, J. T. Staton and D. Belew.

On State of Religion.—E. J. Mullenax, J. A. Dill, J. L. Brookshier and G. W. Mace.

On Temperance.—T. F. Nelson, J. L. Brookshier, A. C. Robertson and A. A. Stwart.

On Ministers' names and Post-offices.—J. W. Middleton, J. S. Gentle, S. McJunkin and W. B. Johnson.

On Religious Periodicals.—Moses Heatherly, Joshua Pruitt G. B. Hudson and R. W. Staton.

On Church Letters.—W. B. Johnson, P. T. Ward and W. A. Corn.

On Sunday-schools.—P. T. Ward, T. E. Waters and A. D. Bowers.

On Obituaries.—H. Pruitt, M. E. Cox, G. B. Hudson and L. C. Hamilton.

On motion, one member of each church was appointed to look after the Sunday-school cause, to-wit :

Mountain Page, J. T. Staton; Oak Grove, T. E. Waters; Mountain Hill, H. Pruitt; South River, J. Waldrop; Cross Plains, A. A Stewart; Double Springs, J. W. Ward; Cedar Springs, J. C. Capps; Green Mountain, D. R. Ledbetter; Beulah, H. D. Drake; Shaw's Creek, M. E. Cox; New Liberty, G. W. Nichols; Cross Roads, H. C. Ward.

On motion, adjourned till to-morrow morning, 9 o'clock. Prayer by E. J. Mullenax. Benediction by J. A. Dill.

SATURDAY MORNING, Oct. 20th, 1883.

Met according to adjournment. Spent half hour in devotional exercises, conducted by Elder T. F. Nelson.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ARRANGEMENTS.

1. Call the roll and mark absentees.
2. Read and correct the Minutes of the day previous.
3. Extend the invitation to churches to unite with this body.
4. Renew the call for correspondence.
5. Extend an invitation to visiting brethren.
6. Call for report of committees.

7. To consider the propriety of appointing a Missionary for this body.

Respectfully submitted,

R. W. STATON, Chairman.

Called the roll of delegates and marked absentees.

Read and adopted minutes of day previous.

ROLL OF DELEGATES.

Mountain Page.—J. W. Middleton, J. R. Rhodes, P. T. Ward, J. T. Staton, J. R. Ward,* R. W. Staton, M. Russell and C. J. Heatherly.*

Oak Grove.—J. L. Brookshier, John Kuykendall, T. E. Waters, Moses Heatherly and H. K. Heatherly.

Mountain Hill.—Joshua Pruitt, H. Pruitt, D. Bellew, J. Howard, M. Pruitt and W. C. Lindsey.

South River.—Jordan Waldrop and Samuel McJunkin.

Cross Plains.—John Gosnell, A. A. Stewart and W. Turner.

Double Springs.—W. B. Johnson, C. M. Philips, G. B. Hudson, A. C. Robertson, J. W. Ward and W. C. Ward.

Cross Roads.—Levi Jones,* H. C. Ward, Mitchell Heatherly,* and W. A. Fortune.

Cedar Springs.—A. Capps, T. Ward, J. C. Capps, P. McDowell, and T. P. Readen.*

Green Mountain.—J. S. Gentle, J. Bedingfield,* and J. H. Griffin.*

Shaw's Creek.—M. E. Cox, W. N. Corn, T. B. Anders* and G. W. Allen.

New Liberty.—Rev. J. A. Dill, T. F. Nelson, W. McKinney, sr.,* and John G. Talley.

Beulah.—Rev. G. W. Mace, H. D. Drake, M. B. Burrells, L. C. Hamilton, W. C. Waycaster and E. A. Drake.

Those marked thus * were absent.

The committee on Preaching reports that brother A. S. Whitmire will occupy the stand this evening.

Extended the invitation for churches to unite with this body. None received.

Extended the invitation to visiting brethren. Brethren Mackumson, Jesse Staton and John Staton came forward.

On motion of W. B. Johnson:

RESOLVED. That we change the first by-laws as follows: Instead of reading "Shall meet on Friday before 3rd Sunday in October," to meet at such time and place as the Association may direct.

T. F. Nelson, moved that brother Mackumson have half hour and devote same as he pleases. Led in prayer, and discoursed on prayer.

Took recess for thirty minutes.

AFTERNOON SESSION, SECOND DAY.

The Association came together by singing, after which business was resumed.

On motion, the Association held an election for a Missionary to serve in the bounds of this Association the next ensuing year, which resulted in the election of J. A. Dill.

On motion, the members of our body may represent us in the Twelve Mile and Greenville Associations.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

NEXT PLACE.

We, your committee, recommend that this Association convene with Mountain Page [illegible], Henderson, [illegible] on Thursday before the first Sunday in [illegible] next at 10 o'clock a. m.

Respectfully submitted. H. PRUITT, Chairman.

Adopted.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

We your committee on Sunday Schools submit the following report:

We find that the majority of the churches have Sabbath-schools in flourishing condition, but there remains much work to do in this great cause. We therefore recommend that some person be appointed, in each church, to look after the Sunday-school cause under the boards of this Association.

Respectfully, P. T. WARD, Chairman.

TEMPERANCE.

We your committee on Temperance beg leave to report as follows:

We feel to thank God that we have great cause to rejoice at the success of the Temperance cause in our whole country. Dear brethren, we ask this body to pray for the success of the cause of Temperance, that the good work may continue until it spreads over our entire nation.

Respectfully submitted. T. F. NELSON, Chairman.

Adopted.

STATE OF RELIGION.

We your committee, after taking a survey of the field learn that all the churches comprising this body have had interesting meetings, with the exception of Cross Plains, Mount [illegible] Page and South River which are now engaged in a series of interesting meetings with the prospect of good results. We are happy to be able to report that the attention given to the preaching of God's Word is, and has been, unusually good the present year; consequently, this notes increased interest in the religion of Jesus Christ. With a view to further advance the cause of our Master, we recommend that this Association adopt some system of Missionary work in our bounds for Home and Foreign Missions.

Respectfully submitted. E. J MULLENAX, Chairman.

Adopted.

OBITUARIES.

We, your committee on Obituaries, beg leave to submit the following: We find that there has been but ten of our members called away by death. This

is a warning to us that we should always be ready to meet the summons which may come for us at any time.

Respectfully submitted, HOLLAND PRUITT, Chairman.

Adopted.

ON CHURCH LETTERS.

We, your committee on Church Letters, do report the following: We find nothing claiming the attention of the Association only Mountain Page church requests this body to meet with her at her next meeting.

Respectfully submitted, P. T. WARD, Chairman.

Adopted.

PERIODICALS.

We your committee on Religious Periodicals beg leave to report the following: We recommend the BLUE RIDGE BAPTIST, published at Hendersonville, N. C., and the BAPTIST COURIER, published at Greenville, S. C, as true exponents of Baptist doctrine.

Respectfully submitted, MOSES HEATHERLY, Chairman.

Adopted.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Balance from last report,	$ 1 65.
Received from churches to pay for printing Minutes,	7 15.
Collection on Sabbath,	6 20.
Joshua Pruitt for Minutes,	1 00.
Total received,	$16 00.
Paid Joshua Pruitt balance due for services rendered,	4 00.
" W. C. Ward, Clerk, to pay for Minutes,	12 00.
Total,	$16 00.

Respectfully submitted, G. B. HUDSON, Chiarman.

Adopted.

FINANCE REPORT.

We have examined the amounts sent up for Minutes and find the following: Mountain Page, $2.00; Oak Grove, $1.75; Mountain Hill, $1.30; Cedar Springs $1.00; Double Springs, $1.60; South River, 50 cts.; Beulah, $1.45; Cross Roads, 70 cts.; Cross Plains, 55 cts.; Shaw's Creek, $1.00; New Liberty, $1.00; Green Mountain, $1.00. Total, $14.15.

Respectfully submitted, J. T. STATON, Chairman.

Adopted.

NOMINATIONS.

We your committee on Nominations beg leave to make the following report: To preach the next Introductory sermon, T. F. Nelson; alternate, J. R. Rhodes. Missionary sermon, J. A. Dill; alternate, G. W. Mace.

Respectfully submitted, JOSHUA PRUITT, Chairman.

Adopted.

COMMITTEE TO DISTRICT THE ASSOCIATION.

We your committee report the following: First District embracing the following churches:—Double Springs, Mountain Page, Cross Plains, South River, Mountain Hill and New Liberty. Second District: Oak Grove, Cross Roads, Cedar Springs, Green Mountain, Shaws Creek and Beulah.

Respectfully submitted. JOSHUA HOWARD, Chairman.

Adopted.

UNION MEETINGS.

We your committee recommend that a Union Meeting be held with the church at New Liberty, beginning on Friday before the 5th Sabbath in December, 1883. J. W. Middleton to preach the Introductory Sermon and J. R. Rhodes alternate. G. W. Mace to preach the Missionary Sermon and J. L. Brookshier, alternate. Also, a Union Meeting to be held with the church at Shaw's Creek, commencing on Friday before the 5th Sabbath in December, 1883. T. F. Nelson to preach the Introductory Sermon, W. P. Turner alternate. J. A. Dill, Missionary Sermon and C. M. Phillips alternate.

Respectfully submitted, JOSHUA HOWARD, Chairman.

Adopted.

On motion, resolved that we authorize the Treasurer to pay the money to the Clerk to pay for printing Minutes, and that he have the work done in neat form.

On motion, we authorize the Clerk to have the Constitution and Rules of Order inserted in the Minutes.

Then listened to some stirring addresses on Missions.

On motion, appointed a Missionary Board, to-wit: P. T. Ward, J. L. Brookshier, J. Pruitt, J. E. Waldrop, A. A. Stewart, G. B. Hudson, W. B. Johnson, H. C. Ward, Wm. McKinney, sr., G. S. Gentle, J. C. Capps, M. E. Cox and G. W. Mace. Said Board to meet at Oak Grove church on Saturday before the 3rd Sabbath in November, 1883.

On motion, W. B. Johnson was made Chairman of said Board.

Resolved, That the collection taken up on to-morrow after the Missionary sermon be applied to paying Associational expenses.

Adopted. HOLLAND PRUITT.

RESOLVED. That we tender our thanks to the brethren, sssters, and good people of this vicinity for the kind and hospitable manner in which they have entertained this body during the present session.

Respectfully. JOSHUA PRUITT.

Adopted.

On motion, the right hand of fellowship was given in token of friendship and union.

Prayer by L. C. Hamilton. Benediction by J. W. Middleton.

Adjourned to meet with Mountain Page church, Henderson county, N. C., on Thursday before the 1st Sabbath in October 1884, at 10:30, a. m.

SUNDAY MORNING.

Met in the house, and after singing and prayer, Rev. T. F. Nelson preached the Missionary sermon from Romans 1:16, after which a collection was taken up amounting to $7.10.

Adjourned. J. R. RHODES, Moderator.

W. C. WARD, Clerk.

CONSTITUTION.

We, the members of the Baptist church of Jesus Christ, who have, on profession of our faith in Him, been immersed, believing that the Holy Scriptures are the only standard of faith and duty for Christians, enjoining as they do zealous and continued effort in promoting the cause of our blessed Lord, do now unite in this Association under this Constitution, for the advancement of the objects therein stated.

ARTICLE 1st. This Association shall be called the CAROLINA BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, and shall be composed of representatives chosen by each church in the Union, from among the number of its own members, who shall carry to each meeting of the body, certificates of their election, with a statement of the membership, conditions and prospects of the church they represent, the names of its licensed and ordained ministers, and such contributions as have been made for benevolent objects, which shall be appropriated only as the donors may direct.

2nd This Association shall meet annually, and shall be organized as soon as the names of the representatives are enrolled, by the selection of a Moderator, a Clerk and a Treasurer, by ballot, who shall hold offices until the next annual meeting.

3rd. Each church shall be entitled to a representation of three delegates, and an additional one for every 25 members in excess of fifty.

4th. The Association shall be governed by such Rules of Order as it may from time to time adopt.

5th. Any church holding the principles of the doctrine of Christ, and the order of His house, as generally held by those denominated Baptists, may connect itself with this Association at any meeting of the same.

6th. The decisions of the Association shall, in all cases, except in the matter of amendments to the Constitution, be made by a majority vote, but amendments to the Constitution must be adopted by a two-third vote. Amendments may be adopted at any meeting of the Association.

7th. The Association reserves the inalienable right to expel any church that abandons the principles of this organization.

8th. This Association holds that the churches of Christ, though not possessed of any sovereign authority, are, nevertheless, in their government, independent of each other, and of all other ecclesiastical organizations, and accountable to no tribunal, but to Christ only, and holds that while it is the duty of all churches, in temporal matters, to be obedient to the laws of the land, in spiritual matters, they should be obedient alone to Jesus Christ, their only head and law-giver.

9th. While this Association holds that each church of Christ is an independent body, as above stated, it does not regard itself as an advisory council, although it does not deem it amiss to give counsel, and answer queries, when petitioned by the churches; but, the Association is of opinion, that the best mode of settling differences between churches, is to take the same scriptural steps as are prescribed for the settling of difficulties between members; that the church that feels aggrieved should send a statement of the cause of grievance to the sister church which gave the offence, and if it will not give christian satisfaction, then call upon one or two sister churches to assist in a settlement, and if the offending church will not listen then, then report the same to this body, which will not pay any attention to such complaints unless the above course of procedure has been complied with.

10th. This Association will not admit, or receive, any church into membership in the union, that is known to be in disorder, or composed of members excluded from another church of the same order of this Association.

11th. Any church in good standing in this Association shall at any time be allowed the privilege of withdrawing from the same.

12th. This Association may correspond and form a brotherly union with any Baptist organization holding similar views of doctrine and duty, with those held by this body.

13th. This Association may appoint as many Boards, or Committees, as may be necessary for carrying on the business and accomplishing the objects of its organization. These, when so appointed, shall make reports at the times appointed by the Association.

14th. The minutes shall be read and corrected, if necessary, in the morning of each day of the session, and at the close of the last day.

15th. As the business of the Association must be finished before its adjournment, no member shall be allowed to depart from any of its sessions without leave.

16th. The Association shall keep a book in which this Constitution, and a minute of each session shall be recorded, which book shall be present at every meeting of the Association.

RULES OF ORDER.

1. The annual meetings of the Association shall open by singing and prayer, at half-past 10 o'clock, on the Thursday before the first Lord's day in October in each year. At this hour the Moderator, or in his absence the clerk, shall call the members to order, when the certificates will be presented, and the names of the members enrolled. The body will then be organized by the election of officers, and thus organized, attend upon the introductory discourse, at the close of which, the Association will take recess or proceed to business.

2. The order of business is to open the door—1. For membership. 2. For correspondence. 3. For any business coming up regularly.

3. The Association shall on each day open and close with prayer by the Moderator, or a brother, at his request. The title of "Brother" shall be used in all the meetings of the body.

4. The Moderator shall preside in the meetings of the body, keep and decide questions of order, subject to appeal from members.

5. Questions shall be decided by "Aye" or "No:" doubtful cases by the rising of the members to their feet until they are counted.

6. The Moderator shall appoint all Committees, except those ordered by ballot.

7. In all cases by ballot, the Moderator may vote; in other cases he may not; unless the body be equally divided, or unless his vote, if given to the minority, will make the division equal, and in that case the question shall be lost.

8. A member may, on motion, submit any subject to the consideration of the Association that relates to its design or objects, and if seconded, it shall receive due consideration, except it be withdrawn by the mover with the consent of the body.

9. If two or more members shall rise to speak at the same time, the Moderator shall decide the priority of right.

10. If a member shall violate any of these rules, any member may, but the Moderator shall, call him to order.

11. No member shall speak on the same subject oftener than twice, without leave of the Association, except to explain.

12. A member, in making a motion, speaking, or in debate, shall rise and address the Moderator respectfully.

13. When a motion is made and seconded, it shall be stated by the Moderator before debate.

14. When the Moderator is putting the question, or addressing the body, no member shall walk out of or across the house, nor, when a member is speaking, enter into private conversation, or pass between the speaker and the Moderator, but all are required to pay strict attention.

15. No member shall leave the house without leave of absence from the Moderator.

16. When a question is under debate, no motion will be received, except to amend, to postpone to a given day or indefinitely; to lay on the table, or to adjourn, which is always in order, and decided without debate.

17. One member only shall speak at a time, who shall not be interrupted, unless he digress from the subject under consideration, use words of personal reflection, or be called to order.

18. The Clerk shall keep a fair record of the proceedings of each meeting, prepare them for the press; keep a regular file of them, and bring or send it to each meeting; on going out of office, put it in the hands of his successor.

19. The Treasurer shall receive and have charge of all monies and specialties of the Association; pay out money to order of the body only, and at each meeting present a statement of his department.

20. The Association shall appoint at each meeting two of her ministering brethren, with alternates—one to preach the Introductory Sermon on the first day of the next meeting, directly after the organization of the body, and the other to preach the Associational Sermon on the Lord's day, directly after the morning service. At the close of the Association sermon, a collection will be taken up, from the audience in support of one or more of the benevolent objects sustained by the Association.

21. The Association may have an address to the Churches prepared and published with the Minutes whenever she may think proper.

CHURCH STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	CLERKS.	POST OFFICES.	Counties.	Received by Relation.	Received by Letter.	Received by Baptism.	Received by Experience.	Received by Restoration.	Received by Primary.	Dismissed by Letter.	Excluded.	Died.	Total Number of Members.	Contributions for Missions.
Mountain Page	James Blythe,	J. T. Staton,	Saluda, N. C.	2	11	10	4	3	6				250	$2 00
Oak Grove,	J. R. Rhodes,	T. E. Waters,	Flat Rock, "	3	19	17	1		7				71	1 75
Mountain Hill,	J. R. Rhodes,	J. Pruitt,	Merrittsville S. C.	4	8	24	13	8	16	1			99	1 30
South River,	W. L. Anderson,	J. F. Williams,	Hart's Store, "	2	1	1			2	2			80	80
Cross Plains,	W. P. Turner,	Wm. Turner,	Lima, "	2		4							57	55
Double Spri'gs	J. A. Dill,	S. M. Guest,	Green River, N. C.	4	17	3	3	3		1			125	1 60
Cross Roads,	J. R. Rhodes,	W. A. Fortune,	Green River, "		12	1			12	1			43	70
New Liberty,	J. A. Dill,	J. G. Talley,	Bellevue, S. C.	1									133	1 00
Cedar Springs,	J. L. Brookshier,	J. C. Capps,	Green River, N. C.	1	26	8	1	2	5	1			83	1 00
Beulah,	G. W. Mace,	H. D. Drake,	Henders'nville "	1	11	7	15	11	5	1			133	1 15
Green Mount'n	J. L. Brookshier,	D. R. Ledbetter,	Fruit Land, "	4	19	4	1	1		3			52	1 00
Shaw's Creek,	R. M. Gilbert,	M. E. Cox,	Henders'nville "										91	1 00

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EIGHTH ANNUAL MEETING

—OF THE—

CAROLINA

Baptist Association,

—HELD WITH—

MOUNTAIN PAGE CHURCH,

Henderson County, N. C.,

October 2, 3, 4 & 5, 1884.

COMPILED BY

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NAMES AND POST OFFICES OF ORDAINED MINISTERS.

J. A. Dill and T. F. Nelson, Bellevue, Greenville county, S. C.; G. W. Mace, Bowman's Bluff, N. C.; B. E. Chastain, Highland, Greenville county, S. C.; W. P. Turner, Merrittsville, S. C.; J. L. Brookshier, Flat Rock, N. C.; J. W. Middleton, J. R. Rhodes and James Blythe, Saluda, Polk county, N. C., C. M. Phillips and M. D. Corn. Green River, N. C.; W. B. Johnson, Middle Saluda, S. C.; J. M. Bryan and L. C. Hamilton, Bowman's Bluff, N. C.

LICENTIATES.

H. Patton, D. W. Revis, M. Heatherly and J. C. Capps, Green River, Henderson county, N. C.; M. M. Staton, Saluda, Polk county, N. C.; T. J. Waters, Flat Rock, N. C.; John Gosnell, Tigerville, Greenville county, S. C.; G. W. Johnson, Hendersonville, N. C.

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PROCEEDINGS.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 2nd, 1884.

THE CAROLINA ASSOCIATION met and was called to order by the Moderator, Elder J. R. Rhodes. Sung a hymn. Prayer by Elder James Blythe.

Appointed Joshua Pruitt and J. W. Middleton Reading Clerks.

Letters were read from the constituent churches. Then appointed T. E. Waters and P. T. Ward Tellers of the Moderator's election, and Joshua Pruitt and B. F. Turner Tellers of the Clerk and Treasurer's election. The result was W. B. Johnson, Moderator, J. W. Middleton, Clerk, and G. B. Hudson, Treasurer.

Took recess for ten minutes.

Come together by singing.

Then sung the hymn "Oh for a heart to praise my God," after which prayer was offered and the introductory discourse delivered by T. F. Nelson, from the first Epistle of John, 2nd ch. and 15th v. Then opened the door for the reception of churches, whereupon the following churches presented letters: Greenville Association, Oak Grove, S. C., North River church, S. C., and Mount Olivet, Friendship and Green River, N. C. They were heartily welcomed and the right hand extended them by the Moderator.

Called for Correspondents and received from the Greenville Association Elders E. J. Mulinax and J. M. Allen. The right hand was extended them by the Moderator.

A committee of five was appointed to revise the Constitution. The committee recommended that the 3rd clause of the Constitution be changed, so as to read: "Each church shall be entitled to a representation of three delegates, and an additional one for every fifty members in excess of one hundred.

Respectfully submitted,

T. F. NELSON, Chm'n.

The committee on preaching reported that J. M. Allen and T. E. Hudson would preach in the fornenoon to-morrow.

On motion, agreed to meet at 9:30 o'clock to-morrow morning,

and spend half an hour in devotional exercises led by brother Blythe.

Adjourned by singing the hymn "Jesus lover of my soul," and prayer by E. J. Mulinax. Benediction by brother Allen.

OCTOBER 3rd, 1884.

Met according to adjournment. Engaged in devotional exercises. Sung the hymn "Blest be the tie that binds." Prayer by brother Gilbert.

The committee on Order of Business reported. Minutes of yesterday were read and adopted. Roll called and absentees marked. Read the Consttution and Rules of order. Renewed call for correspondents. Received none.

Invited visiting brethren to seats, and brethren Briggs, Rickman and Gilbert came forward, and the Moderator extended the right hand of welcome to them.

Enrolled delegates' names as follows:

Mountain Page.—J. W. Middleton, J. R. Rhodes, A. F. Pace, M. M. Staton, J. B. Ward, R. W. Pace,* J. T. Staton, P. T. Ward, R. W. Staton, A. T. Hart and B. F. Turner.

Oak Grove, N. C.—J. L. Brookshier, T. E. Waters, John Kuykendall, J. B. Justice and L. L. Tabor.

Mountain Hill.—Joshua Pruitt, B. E. Chastain, Emanuel Pruitt, J. Howard, C. A. Gosnell.*

Cross Plains.—Wm. Turner, A. A. Stewart, D. W. Pitman.

Double Springs.—W. C. Ward, G. B. Hudson, A. C. Robertson, W. B. Johnson, D. L. Bedingfield, D. W. Revis.*

Cross Roads.—Levi Jones, H. C. Ward,* W. P. Goodwin, A. V. Heatherly,* W. A. Fortune.

New Liberty.—J. A. Dill,* T. F. Nelson, John Tally, Wm. Talley,* George Nichols.*

Cedar Springs.—Thomas Ward, Thomas Reden,* J. A. Ward, J. C. Capps.

Beulah.—G. W. Mace, M. B. Burrell, H. D. Drake, W. T. Cox, K. Middleton, J. E. Dalton, E. A. Drake,* J. A. Middleton, L. C. Hamilton.

Green Mountain—James Jackson, O. P. Drake, James Bedingfield, G. S. Gentles.

Shaws Creek—Jacob McCarson, G. B. Nelson, W. N. Corn, J. L. McCarson, M. E. Cox.

Oak Grove—Alexander Pruitt,* J. J. Campbell, E. W. Burnett, W M. Fisher, L. R. Fisher,* G. W. Plumbly.

Green River.—B. F. Pace, N. W. Corn, G. C. Bedingfield, John Anders,* R. C. Pace, Jacob Lindsay.*

Mount Olivet.—H. P. Kuykendall, W. Jones,* A. Barbery, M. D. Corn.

Friendship.—A. J. Corn,* James Blythe, G. S. Johnson, Thos. Williams, C. Bradley.

North River.—T. E. Hudson, S. Jewell, James Calaway.

Those marked thus * were absent.

Called for reports.

The committee on Ministers' names and post offices reported. [For Report see first page]

ON REDISTRICTING THE ASSOCIATION.

We, your committee Report the following:

1st District.—Greeen Mountain, Shaws's Creek, Beulah, Mount Olivet and Oak Grove, S. C.

2nd District.—Cedar Springs, Green River, Cross Roads, Mountain Page, Friendship and Double Springs.

3rd District.—Mountain Hill, Oak Grove, S. C., Cross Plains, New Liberty, North River and South River.

Then gave E. J. Mulinax 15 minutes to represent the "Baptist Courier," published at Greenville, S. C. Also brother Rickman 15 minutes to represent the "Blue Ridge Baptist," and each man praised the others paper.

Adjourned for 45 minutes.

Afternoon, came together by singing.

Received the report on preaching.

E. J. Mulinax to preach this afternoon, and brother Gilbert and L. C. Hamilton at 10:30 to-mrorow morning.

Received the report of brother Nelson on Missionary work in the bounds of this Association: Labored eleven days and received something over four dollars.

REPORT ON SABBATH-SCHOOLS.

We, your committee on Sabbath-schools, report: That from our personal knowledge we are happy to say that the good work is progressing with that zeal that characterizes a Christian people, and that there is great good resulting from the interesting efforts that are being made in the great cause and that places where vice and immorality reigned supremely, Sabbath-schools are now flourishing.

A. C. ROBERTSON, Chm'n.

REPORT ON UNION MEETINGS.

3rd District.—There will be a Union Meeting held with Oak Grove, S. C.,

embracing Friday and Saturday before the 5th Sunday in November, 1884. Introductory by T. F. Nelson, alternate W. P. Turner. Missionary sermon by J. A. Dill. Alternate, J. R. Rhodes.

A Union Meeting will be held with the Friendship church, embracing Friday and Saturday before the fifth Sunday in November, 1884. Introductory by W. B. Johnson, alternate James Blythe. Missionary sermon by J. W. Middleton, alternate D. W. Revis.

There will be a Union Meeting at the Mount Olivet church, embracing Friday and Saturday before the fifth Sunday in November, 1884. Introductory by G. W. Mace, alternate L. C. Hamilton. Missionary by J. L. Brookshier, alternate G. W Johnson.

J. L. BROOKSHIER, Chm'n.

REPORT ON TIME AND PLACE.

We, your committee recommend that this Association convene with Benlah church, on Willow, in Henderson county, N. C., on Thursday before the first Sunday in October, 1885, at half past 10 o'clock, a. m.

J. E. DALTON, Chm'n.

REPORT ON OBITUARIES

We, your committee on Obituaries, beg leave to report the following: By careful examination we find that only fifteen of our members have been called away by death during this Associational year, which is only a small number, for which we ought to be grateful to our Heavenly Father for his kind preserving mercy to so many of us, for while death has visited many sections in its fury, only about the 109th part of our entire membership has been called away; but this, though so small a portion, is a warning to us to be ready for the great change, come when it may, and be able to say, "Come, welcome death, I'll gladly go with thee." From what we can learn all those who have passed away from us this year, led pious lives, and we feel that our loss is their eternal gain, and may we all live so when we come to die, we may hear the welcome plaudit, "Well done thou good and faithful servant, come up higher.

JOSHUA PRUITT, Chm'n.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Received from Committee on Finance to pay for printing Minutes,	$14 15
Collection on Sabbath,	7 10
Total,	$21 25
Paid W. C. Ward, Clerk, to pay for printing Minutes,	$19 10
Balance on hand,	2 15
Total,	$21 25
To collection on Saturday,	$3 10
To collection on Sunday, Oct 5th, 1884,	10 70
Total,	$13 80

G. B. HUDSON, Treasurer.

REPORT ON CHURCH LETTERS.

We, your committee on church Letters, submit the following: We find nothing claiming the attention of this body, only the petition from Beulah and Shaw's Creek, for this body to convene with them at our next session.

N. W. CORN, Chm'n.

REPORT ON BAPTIST LITERATURE.

We, your committee on Baptist Literature beg leave to recommend the "Baptist Courier," Published at Greenville, S. C., and the "Blue Ridge Baptist," Hendersonville, N. C., as good papers, setting forth true Baptist principles, and should be patronized by our denomination, also the book entiled "Baptist Doctrines" as a good work.

A. T. HART, Chm'n

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

Brethren of the Carolina Association: It is gratifying to report to your body that the cause of Education is gradually advancing, and that there is a gradual intellectual awakening among the people throughout the country, never before manifested. It is believed that to foster this new spirit and to encourage the great cause of Education, our Associations and religious bodies should take the subject in hand and push forward the work. We should recognize our Educational needs, both general and special; also our Educational opportunities. We would recommend that the Primary and Secondary schools of the country be encouraged and supported, and that we forget not our College—the Judson—the Baptist Institution of Western Carolina. At this Institution, the hope of our denomination, is offered a thorough course for males and females. For young ministers it is offered free of charge.

Respectfully submitted,

G. C. BRIGGS, Chm'n.

The committee to look after the educational interest of our young ministers was composed of the following brethren; Elders T. F. Nelson, G. W. Mace, T. E. Hudson, J. L. Brookshier and W. B. Johnson.

On motion adjourned. Sang "Pass me not O gentle Savior." Prayer by T. F. Nelson, and benediction by brother Mace.

OCTOBER 4th, 1884.

Met according to adjournment. Sang "All hail the power of Jesus name." Led in prayer by M. L. Davis. Read the Minutes of preceding day. On motion, approved and adopted them.

Renewed the call for correspondents and M. L. Davis, of the Greenville Association, came forward and the Moderator gave him the right hand; also brother Jesse Staton, from Refuge church.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

We, your committee on Temperance, beg leave to submit the following: We see great cause to rejoice over the cause of Temperance. We trust the good cause will go on until it shall spread its mantle over our entire nation.

T. F. NELSON, Chm'n.

After speeches by G. C. Briggs, Blythe, Nelson, Mace and M. L. Davis, the report was adopted.

Adjourned 40 minutes.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Came together by singing.

The committee on preaching report that brother Allen preach at 1:30.

The committee on revision of the Constitution reported, and by a two-thirds vote of the body the 3rd clause of the Constitution was changed from "Each church shall be entitled to representation of three delegates, and an additional one for every 25 members in excess of fifty," to "Each church shall be entitled to a representation of 3 delegates, and an additional one for every 50 members in excess of one hundred."

T. F. NELSON, Chm'n.

REPORT ON NOMINATIONS.

We, your committee on nomiations, report the following: To preach the next Introductory, Elder T. E Hudson, alternate Elder W. B. Johnson. Missionary sermon, J. L. Brookshier, T. F. Nelson alternate.

A. C. ROBERTSON, Chm'n.

Heard addresses from T. F. Nelson and G. W. Mace on Home and Foreign Missions, and an address by brother Blythe on the best plan for promoting the Redeemer's kingdom. His advice was to let every church support a Pastor, and have the word preached to them every Sunday, and let him visit his flock during the week.

REPORT ON STATE OF RELIGION.

We, your committee, after taking a survey of the field, learn that a large majority of the churches in this Association have had interesting meetings, with the prospect of much good done. We are happy to report that the attention given to the preaching of God's Word is, and has been, unusually good the present year, consequently this notes increasing interest in the religion of Jesus Christ. With a view to further advance the cause of our Master, by hearing the Letters read from the churches, we learn there has been a large number of conversions in the bounds of this Association this year.

Respectfully submitted.

T. E. HUDSON, Chm'n.

RESOLVED, That we appoint two Missionaries to labor in the bounds of this Association, and that we connect ourselves with the Western Baptist Convention, and ask their Board to assist us in this work; whereupon Elders J. L. Brookshier and G. W. Mace were appointed as Missionaries to labor in the

bounds of this Association, and that they are also appointed delegates to the Western Baptist Convention, the collection on Sabbath to be paid over to them to admit them into the Convention, and the remainder, if any, be applied for Missionary purposes. L. C. Hamilton is also appointed a delegate to the Western Baptist Convention.

The salary of our Missionaries is fixed at one dollar per day.

W. B. Johnson and J. R. Rhodes, delegates to the South Carolina Baptist Convention, which meets at Marion, S. C., on Tuesday after the third Sabbath in November, 1884.

Chairman of the Missionary Board, W. B. Johnson.

Appointed correspondents: To the Greenville Association.—J. L. Brookshier, L. C. Hamilton and J. W. Middleton.

To Spartanburg Association.—G. W. Mace, W. B. Johnson and M. B. Burrell.

To the Henderson County Association:—J. L. Brookshier, T. E. Waters, J. B. Justice, N. W. Corn and K. Middleton.

Resolved, That the Clerk of this body be allowed five dollars for his services.

Respectfully submitted, T. E. WATERS.

Resolved, That we tender our thanks to the good brethren and sisters of this community for the kind treatment and hospitable manner in which they have entertained the members of the Association, and that we pray the continuance of God's blessings on these good people. T. J. RICKMAN.

Adjourned. Prayer by Elder James Blythe.

REPORT ON FINANCE.

Received from the churches for Minutes:

Mountain Page, $2.20; Cross Plains, 80 cents; Mount Olivet, $1.00; Oak Grove, N. C., $2.00; Double Springs, $1.30; Cedar Springs, 55 cts.; Green River, $1.25; Friendship, $1.30; Oak Grove, S. C., $1.40; New Liberty, 70 cts.; Green Mountain, $1.85; Beulah, $2.00; Mountain Hill, $1.05; Shaws Creek, $1.50; Cross Roads, 85 cts.; North River, $1.00. Total, 20.75.

Received of G. B. Hudson, Treasurer, to pay for printing, $15.00; Clerk's salary, $5.00. Total $20.00.

SUNDAY, October 5th, 1884.

Morning sermon preached by J. M. Allen, to a large and respectable congregation, followed by G. W. Mace, who, being alternate, preached the Missionary Sermon (in the absence of John A. Dill,) from Heb. 7:24: "But this man, because he continueth ever, hath an unchangeable priesthood."

At the close of the sermon a collection was taken, amounting to $10.70. Collection on Saturday before, $3.10.

Rev. G. S. Jones preached in the afternoon.

Close of the 8th annual meeting of the Carolina Baptist Association, held with Mountain Page church, the 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th of October, 1884.

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21. The Association may have an address to the Churches prepared and published with the Minutes whenever she may think proper.

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NINTH ANNUAL MEETING

—OF THE—

CAROLINA

Baptist Association,

—HELD WITH—

THE BEULAH BAPTIST CHURCH,

HENDERSON COUNTY, N. C.,

October 2nd, 3rd and 4th, 1885.

COMPILED BY

J. W. MIDDLETON, CLERK, SALUDA, POLK COUNTY, N. C.

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LICENTIATES.

H. Patton, D. W. Revis, M. Heatherly, J. C. Capps, Green River, Henderson county, N. C.; M. M. Staton, Saluda, Polk county, N. C.; T. J. Waters, Flat Rock, N. C.; Alexander Pruitt, Gowensville, S. C.; J. A. Staton, William Case, J. W. Justice and J. G. Stepp, Blue Ridge, N. C.

PROCEEDINGS.

THE CAROLINA ASSOCIATION convened with the Beulah Baptist Church, October 2nd, 1885, and after devotional exercises led by Jesse Staton, ten minutes intermission.

Reconvened by singing, "O for a Closer walk with God." Prayer was offered by the former Moderator.

Alexander Pruitt and T. F. Nelson were appointed as Reading Clerks, and letters were read and delegates' names enrolled from the following churches:

Beulah.—G. W. Mace, L. C. Hamilton, J. U. Orr and C. Thomas.

Cross Roads.—Levi Jones*, W. P. Goodwin* and Philip Kuykendall.

Mountain Page.—J. W. Middleton, J. R. Rhodes, J. B. Ward*, John Ward, W. T. Davis*, R. W. Staton.

Oak Grove, (N. C.)—J. L. Brookshier, L. B. C. Brookshier and John Kuykendall.

Mountain Hill.—C. A. Gosnell,* E. Pruitt* and J. Pruitt.*

Double Springs.—G. B. Hudson, W. B. Johnson, J. W. Ward*.

New Liberty.—T. F. Nelson, Wm. Tally and R. D Tally.

Green Mountain.—J. S. Gentle, J. S. Bedingfield, S. J. Blythe and Eli Shipman.

Shaw's Creek.—G. W. Johnson, G. W. Allen and W. N. Corn.

Oak Grove, (S. C.)—J. J. Campbell, Alexander Pruitt and D. Lockhart.

The Moderator then appointed as Tellers of election, John H. Justice and J. U. Orr. The result of the election was, W. B Johnson, Moderator, J. W. Middleton, Clerk, and G. B. Hudson, Treasurer.

Intermission for five minutes.

Came together by singing, and heard the introductory discourse by Rev. W. B. Johnson, from 2nd Tim. 4:6, 7.

Renewed the call for churches and received from Friendship a letter, with delegates, Elders James Blythe, A. J. Corn, Joseph E. Guice and John Laughter. From Green River, J. B. F. Pace, N. W. Corn and Thaddeus Bell.*

Opened the door of the Association for reception of churches not heretofore connected with this body, and received from Refuge, a letter, and as their Delegates, R. M. Gilbert,* Erwin Neal,* John W. Staton, P. T. Ward, W. M. Case.* J. A. Staton, J. G. Stepp,* J. P. Hider.* C. A. Hill.* From Golden Hill, Henry stepp,* S. T. Staton, J. C. Case and Willis Cox.*

Called for Correspondents and received from Henderson County Association John H. Justice, and as visitors from Buncombe County Association, T. K. Brown and G. B. Carter.

On motion adjourned one hour for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Reconvened, and as the Moderator had not arrived from dinner, appointed T. F. Nelson Moderator *pro. tem.*, and proceeded to business.

Received a letter from North Saluda church, with delegates Rev. T. E. Hudson*, Samuel Jewell, J. A. Christopher, James Calloway.*

Extended the call for churches not members of this body to unite with us, and received from Pleasant Hill a letter, and as delegates, John Brown,* B. F. Lee,* Wm. Johnson, R. T. Drake.

The Moderator having arrived, appointed the following committees:

On Arrangements—J. R. Rhodes, J. L. Brookshier, Wm Corn.

On Religious Exercises—John Kuykendall, R. W. Staton, C. Thomas, with Pastor and Deacons of Beulah church.

On Finance—P. T. Ward, R. D. Tally, John M. Staton.

On Obituaries—W. D. Tally, J. J. Campbell, R. T. Drake.

On Periodicals—W. N. Corn, J. M. Bryan, W. D Drake.

On Sabbath Schools—G. B. Hudson, J. R. Rhodes, J S. Gentle.

On Temperance—Alexander Pruitt, J. A. Staton, T. F. Nelson.

On Church Letters—Joseph Guice, John H. Justice, R. D Tally.

On Education—T. F. Nelson, T. K Brown and G. B. Carter.

On Nominations—G. W. Mace, J. A. Staton and J. W. Staton.

On State of Religion—J. L. Brookshier, L. C. Hamilton and T. F. Nelson.

On Time and Place—S. T. Staton, H. P. Kuykendall and G. W. Johnson.

REPORT ON STATE OF RELIGION.

We beg leave to report the following: We regret to have to say that, from causes unknown to us, religion is at a low ebb in most of the churches. We are inclined to think it is from neglect of duty on the part of the churches.

Let us redouble our diligence, that our Master's Kingdom may come and His name be glorified. J. L. BROOKSHIER, Chairman.

On motion, received and adopted.

The report on Temperance was taken up and discussed for awhile, and laid over for further consideration on to-morrow.

On motion, adjourned to meet at 9 o'clock to-morrow morning and spend half an hour in devotional exercises.

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OCTOBER 3rd, 1885.

Met according to adjournment, and after singing and prayer by brother Brookshier, proceeded to call the roll and mark absentees.

Received and read a letter from Mount Olivet. Delegates: Jno. Ballard, H. W. Sentell, D. N. Osteen.

Opened the door for correspondents and received from the county Association Rev. D. B. Nelson and brother E. R. Nelson.

Then took up the unfinished business.

Read the Constitution. Then continued to consider the report on Temperance, and after a warm discussion by several of the brethren, the report was adopted.

REPRORT ON TEMPERANCE.

Your committee on Temperance report the following: The cause of Temperance is advancing and, we trust to God, is on the road to success. As we see the vice of the use of intoxicating liquors diminishing, we see crime to some extent decreasing, and we have cause to thank God and take courage. Let us pray God that He may remove the great curse from our land.

Respectfully submitted, ALEXANDER PRUITT, Chairman.

On motion, the report on Education was received and adopted.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

We are pained to say that we are far behind in this Association, as well as through the country generally, in the cause of Education. Experience has taught that wherever the masses of the people are educated, the morals of the country in which they live are greatly above those who are deprived of this advantage. We therefore commend to your love, support and patronage, that worthy institution, Judson College. Any young minister who desires to prepare himself for the ministry can obtain tuition free of charge at this institution. Educate the girls and the education of the boys will follow.

Respectfully submitted, T. F. NELSON, Chairman.

On motion, the report on Periodicals was received and adopted.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

We, your committee on Religious Periodicals, do recommend the BLUE RIDGE BAPTIST, published at Hendersonville, N. C., and the BAPTIST COURIER, published at Greenville, S. C., as true exponents of Baptist principles. Respectfully submitted, N. W. CORN, Chairman.

On motion, J. L. Brookshier's labor as Missionary in our bounds, was received and adopted. Traveled 78 days: collected on his field $54 70: collection on Sunday paid over $9.00; Treasurer paid over what he had on hand, $6.35.

On motion a committee on Destitution was appointed, consisting of J. S. Gentle, G. B. Hudson, R. D. Tally, Jesse Staton and J. L. Brookshier.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Came together by [illegible]. Received and read a letter from Cross Roads church, with Levi Jones,* W. P. Goodwin* and Philip Kuykendall as delegates.

On motion, the report on church letters was received and adopted.

REPORT ON CHURCH LETTERS.

After examining the Church Letters, we find, from Mountain Page—Nothing special. Oak Grove, [illegible] N. C.—Five received by baptism. Mountain Hill—A revival, and ten received by baptism, and says, dear brethren, pray for us. Double Springs—Nothing special. New Liberty—Has encouragement; a good meeting, and five await baptism. Green Mountain—One baptism and one death. Shaw's Creek—Rather on a standstill and ask our prayers; one death. Oak Grove, [illegible] S. C.—Five received by baptism; also reports a Sunday School. Friendship—A Sabbath School nearly all the year. Green River—Nothing special; no Sunday-school. Refuge—A Sabbath School, and ten received by baptism; three deaths. Golden Hill—A good Sabbath School during the Summer; two received by baptism. North Saluda—Report their church in a flourishing condition; held a meeting in August, and seven were added by baptism; a flourishing Sunday-school; one death; ask the prayers of this body. Beulah—Reports a good meeting and fifteen added by baptism; a good Sunday-school and prayer meeting weekly. Pleasant Hill—Four additions by baptism and one awaiting baptism.

Respectfully submitted. J. E. GUICE, Chairman.

REPORT ON SABBATH SCHOOLS.

We, your committee, report that from our personal knowledge, we are sorry to say that our Sabbath Schools are declining in some portions of our bounds; still some of the churches report good schools. We hope the churches will take more interest in the Sunday-school cause in all the churches in the bounds of this Association.

Respectfully submitted, G. B. HUDSON, Chairman.

REPORT ON TIME AND PLACE.

Your committee on Time and Place report that this body meet with the Shaw's Creek church, three miles from Hendersonville, N. C., on Thursday before the first Lord's day in October, 1886, at 10:30 o'clock, a. m.

S. T. STATON, Chairman.

Received and adopted.

[Those marked thus * were absent.]

REPORT ON FINANCE.

Your committee on Finance report the following: Sent up by the churches for minutes, $17.35; made up at night by the delegates, $2.91; total for Minutes, $20.26.

On motion. Refuge. Golden Hill and Pleasant Hill are added to the first section, and Mount Olivet to the second section.

REPORT ON OBITUARIES.

Your committee on Obituaries report that only eleven of our number have been called away by death during this associational year. This is a small number, and we should be thankful to God for his Providential care over us. Let us be ready, watching and waiting for our Lord, come when he may or as he may. W. D. TALLY, Chairman.

On motion, received and adopted.

RESOLUTION ON PROHIBITION.

RESOLVED, That a committee of five be appointed to wait on the County Commissioners of Henderson county and request them to order an election at as early a day as possible, that we may have a chance to vote for or against the making and selling of distilled spirits in the bounds of our county.

G. W. MACE.

Received and adopted.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Received from the Committee on Finance,	$20 32
Collection on Saturday,	3 10
" " Sabbath,	10 70
Received from Clerk for Oak Grove church,	25
From last report,	$2 00
Total collection,	$36 37
Paid the Clerk to have minutes printed,	$15 00
" Clerk's salary,	5 00
" J. L. Brookshier for Western Convention,	5 00
" G. W. Mace the same.	5 00
Total amount paid over,	$30 00
Balance in hand,	6 37

G. B. HUDSON, Treasurer.

Received and adopted.

RESOLUTION OF THANKS.

RESOLVED, That we tender our heartfelt thanks to the good brethren and

sisters of Beulah church and vicinity, for their hospitality to the delegates and visitors of this Association.

Respectfully submitted, W. N. CORN.

On motion, adjourned until 7 o'clock for night session. Sang "Jesus, lover of my soul." Prayer by E. R. Nelson. Benediction by brother Rhodes.

NIGHT SESSION.

Met according to adjournment.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Your committee on Foreign Missions beg leave to submit the following: We have Missionaries in China, and in Africa, and elsewhere, preaching the Gospel, who have obeyed the command of our blessed Lord, who says, "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature." They are doing a good work. Will we help them, or will we withhold our means? The Lord says, "'Tis more blessed to give than to receive; the Lord loveth a cheerful giver." J. R. RHODES, Chairman.

On motion, adopted.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

Your committee report the following: So far as we are able to learn, our Home Mission work is moving on slowly. We may, if we will, do more in the future than we have in the past. May God bless our home work.

Respectfully submitted, J. L. BROOKSHIER, Chairman.

REPORT ON UNION MEETINGS.

1st District—To meet at Refuge church on the fifth Sunday in November, 1885. G. W. Mace to preach the Introductory; Jesse Staton, alternate. J. L. Brookshier, the Missionary and L. E. Hamilton, alternate.

2nd District—Meets at Mountain Page. M. M. Staton to preach the Introductory; D. Revis, alternate. W. B. Johnson, the Missionary, J. R. Rhodes, alternate. 5th Sunday in November, 1885.

3rd District—Meets at South River, 5th Sunday in November, 1885. T. E. Hudson to preach the Introductory; T. F. Nelson, alternate. J. A. Dill, the Missionary; Alexander Pruitt, alternate.

J. A. CHRISTOPHER, Chairman.

On motion of T. F. Nelson, the Treasurer is ordered to pay over any money in his hands until brother Brookshier is paid for his labor as Missionary in our bounds.

On motion of T. F. Nelson, we authorize any member of our body to act as correspondent with any Association with whom we correspond.

On motion, W. B. Johnson is appointed correspondent to the Henderson County Association.

On motion, the Treasurer is ordered to pay over to the Clerk to pay for printing minutes the sum of fifteen dollars, and to pay the Clerk five dollars for his service.

On motion, the collection on Sunday to be paid over to J. L. Brookshier, our missionary.

G. W. Mace moved that we offer up special prayer in behalf of our Missionaries, both home and foreign, and also for our prohibition movement. (Prayer was offered between 11 and 12 at night, as above.)

On motion of G. W. Mace that we call for volunteers to labor one month each in the bounds of this Association, especially the destitute places, as Missionaries, and trust the Lord for their pay, the following brethren agreed to work one month each: G. W. Mace, J. R. Rhodes, J. L. Brookshier, and J. W. Middleton.

RESOLUTION ON PROHIBITION.

RESOLVED, That it is the sense of this Association that nothing short of total abstinence will rid us of the great evil effects of dram-drinking, and we pray God that He will hear our prayers and remove this great evil.

Committee on Order of Business report that T. K. Brown have ten minutes to represent Judson College. G. B. Carter have ten to represent the BLUE RIDGE BAPTIST, T. F. Nelson have ten to represent the BAPTIST COURIER, and J. L. Brookshier have ten to make his report on Mission work.

It was made special order that brother Brown take his time just after the Association gets through with its morning business, and the others in turn.

REPORT ON RELIGIOUS EXERCISES.

Your committee report that Elder T. K. Brown preach to-night at early candle light, Elder J. L. Brookshier to follow. Elder J. R. Rhodes Saturday at 11 o'clock a. m., J. L. Brookshier at 2 p. m. W. B. Johnson at 7 o'clock at night, followed by J. W. Middleton. Sabbath, J. L. Brookshier Missionary sermon, followed by W. B. Johnson. J. KUYKENDALL, Ch'mn.

REPORT ON NOMINATIONS.

Your committee on Nominations report that J. R. Rhodes preach the Introductory sermon, R. N. Gilbert alternate, James Blythe the Missionary sermon, T. F. Nelson alternate. G. W. MACE, Chairman.

SUNDAY, October 4th.

Convened in the house and engaged in devotional exercises, led by Jesse Staton. Quite a tender feeling was manifested.

Preaching in the forenoon by G. S. Jones in the house. As the

house would not hold the people, J. W. Middleton was called to the stand and addressed a large, attentive crowd there, composed mostly of ladies. Text: In the last day, that great *day* of the feast, Jesus stood and cried, saying, If any man thirst, let him come unto me, and drink.—John 7:37.

The Missionary Sermon was preached by T. F. Nelson from Mark 16:15, after which a collection was taken, amounting to $9.00.

Preaching in the afternoon by Rev. G. S. Jones, from Matthew 12:12: "How much then is a man better than a sheep.

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RULES OF ORDER.

1. The annual meetings of the Association shall open by singing and prayer, at half-past 10 o'clock, on the Thursday before the first Lord's day in October in each year. At this hour the Moderator, or in his absence the Clerk, shall call the members to order, when the certificates will be presented, and the names of the members enrolled This body will then be organized by the election of officers, and thus organized, attend upon the introductory discourse, at the close of which the Association will take recess or proceed to business.

2. The order of business is to open the door—1. For membership. 2. For correspondence. 3. For any business coming up regularly.

3. The Association shall on each day open and close with prayer by the Moderator, or a brother, at his request. The title of "Brother" shall be used in all the meetings of this body.

4. The Moderator shall preside in the meetings of the body, keep and decide questions of order, subject to appeal from members.

5. Questions shall be decided by "Aye" or "No;" doubtful cases by the rising of the members to their feet until they are counted.

6. The Moderator shall appoint all committees, except those ordered by ballot.

7. In all cases by ballot, the Moderator may vote; in other cases he may not, unless the body be equally divided, or unless his vote, if given to the minority, will make the division equal, and in that case the question shall be lost.

8. A member may, on motion, submit any subject to the consideration of the Association that relates to its design or objects, and if seconded, it shall receive due consideration, except to be withdrawn by the mover with the consent of the body.

9. If two or more members shall rise to speak at the same time, the Moderator shall decide the priority of right.

10. If a member shall violate any of these rules, any member may, but the Moderator shall, call him to order.

11. No member shall speak on the same subject oftener than twice, without leave of the Association, except to explain.

12. A member, in making a motion, speaking, or in debate, shall rise and address the Moderator respectfully.

13. When a motion is made and seconded, it shall be stated by the Moderator before debate.

14. When the Moderator is putting the question, or addressing the body, no member shall walk out of or across the house, nor, when a member is speaking, enter into private conversation, or pass between the speaker and the Moderator, but all are required to pay strict attention.

15. No member shall leave the house without leave of absence from the Moderator.

16. When a question is under debate, no motion will be received, except to amend; to postpone to a given day or indefinitely; to lay on the table, or to adjourn, which is always in order, and decided without debate.

17. One member only shall speak at a time, who shall not be interrupted, unless he depart from the subject under consideration, use words of personal reflection, or is called to order.

18. The Clerk shall keep a fair record of the proceedings of each meeting, prepare them for the press, keep a regular file of them, and bring or send it to each meeting, and on going out of office, put it in the hands of his successor.

19. The Treasurer shall receive and have charge of all monies and specialties of the Association; pay out money to order of the body only, and at each meeting present a statement of his department.

20. The Association shall appoint at each meeting two of her ministering brethren, with alternates—one to preach the Introductory Sermon on the first day of the next meeting, directly after the organization of the body, and the other to preach the Associational Sermon on the Lord's day, directly after the morning sermon. At the close of the Association sermon, a collection will be taken up from the audience in support of one or more of the benevolent objects sustained by the Association.

21. The Association may have an address to the Churches prepared and published with the Minutes whenever she may think proper.

STATISTICS OF THE CHURCHES FOR 1885.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	CLERKS.	P. OFFICES.	Sab. of Preaching.	Baptized.	Rec. by Letter.	Excluded.	Restored.	Dismissed.	Died.	Membership.	Minute Fund.
Beulah,	G. W. Mace,	H. D. Drake,	Bowman's Bluff,	1	15	4	1	3	16	2	162	82 40
Cross Roads,	J. R. Rhodes,	W. A. Fortune,	Green River,	2		6	1		1		55	40
Mountain Page,	" "	J. T. Staton,	Saluda,	1			3		6		272	2 15.
Oak Grove, N.C	" "	T. E. Waters,	Flat Rock,	3	5	2			7	1	74	1 35
Mountain Hill,	" "	Joshua Pruitt,	Merrittsville,	4	10	10	11	5	33	3	112	1 00
Double Springs,	T. F. Nelson,	W. C. Ward,	Green River,	4			1		8		107	1 80
New Liberty,	" "	T. F. Coleman,	Bellevue, S. C.	1	11	2	4		7	1	133	1 30
Green Mounta'n	J. L. Brookshier	Dr. Ledbetter,	Fruitland,	2	1	5	2		7	1	71	1 30
Shaw's Creek,	R. M. Gilbert,	M. E. Cox,	Hendersonville,	3	8		1	2		1	115	1 50
Oak Grove, S. C	A. D. Bowers,	G. W. Plumbly,	Gowensville,	1	5	3	1	1	12		124	1 40
Friendship,	James Blythe,	J. L. Thompson	Saluda.	3			2	1			100	1 00
Green River,	J. R. Rhodes,	J. B. F. Pace,	Green River,	2		6			1		85	90
Refuge,	James Blythe,	P. T. Ward.	Blue Ridge,	1	10	6	3	3	7	1	254	90
Golden Hill,	J. A. Staton,	S. T. Staton,	" "	2	2	4		3			49	40
North River,	T. E. Hudson,	John J. Odam,	Marietta, S. C.	2	7	16			1	1	58	1 10
Pleasant Hill,	G. W. Mace,	R. L. Drake,	Hendersonville,	3	4	3					60	1 00
Mount Olivet,	J. W. Anderson	D. N. Osteen,	Flat Rock,	4	3						46	50
Cedar Springs,	J. L. Brookshier	J. G. Capps,	Green River,	1								31
Cross Plains,	W. P. Turner.	Wm. Turner,	Lima, S. C.	2							61	
South River.		J. F. Williams.	Hart's Store,								90	

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NAMES AND POSTOFFICES OF ORDAINED MINISTERS:

J. A. Dill and T. F. Nelson, Bellevue, Greenville county, S. C.; G. W. Mace, L. C. Hamilton and J. M. Bryan, Bowman's Bluff, N. C.; B. E. Chastain, Highland, S. C.; W. P. Turner, Merrittsville, S. C.; J. L. Brookshier, Flat Rock, N. C.; J. W. Middleton, J. R. Rhodes, James Blythe, Saluda, Bolk county, N. C.; C. M. Phillips and M. D. Corn, Green River, N. C.; W. B. Johnson, Middle Saluda, S. C.; T. E. Hudson, Marietta, S. C.; R. M. Gilbert, Blue Ridge, N. C.; G. W. Johnson, Hendersonville, N. C.; A. J. Corn, Grange, N. C.; J. A. Staton, Blue Ridge, N. C.; E. R. Nelson and J. L. McCarson, Hendersonville. N. C.

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LICENTIATES.

H. Patton, D. W. Revis, M. Heatherly, J. C. Capps, Green River, Henderson county, N. C.; M. M. Staton, Saluda, Polk county, N. C.; T. J. Waters, Flat Rock, N. C.; Alexander Pruitt, Gowensville, S. C.; William Case, J. W. Justice and J. G. Stepp, Blue Ridge, N C.

PROCEEDINGS.

THURSDAY, September 30, 1886.

THE CAROLINA ASSOCIATION convened with the Shaw's Creek Baptist Church, Thursday, September 30th, 1886, and after devotional exercises, led by the former Moderator, appointed W. C. Ward and Joshua Pruitt Reading Clerks, and letters were read and names of delegates enrolled from the following Churches:

Beulah—G. W. Mace, J. M. Bryan. L. C. Hamilton, H. D. Drake and R. F. Orr.

Mountain Page.—J. W. Middleton, J. R. Rhodes, Perry Davis,* B. F. Turner, A. T. Hart, J. T. Staton, G. W. Pruitt and C. G. Gordon.*

Double Springs—W. B. Johnson W. C. Ward, L B. Johnson* and G. B. Hudson.

Mountain Hill.—Joshua Pruitt, Emanuel Pruitt, Daniel Ballew and C. A. Gosnell.*

Oak Grove, S. C.—Alexander Pruitt. G. W. Plumbly and Wm. Gosnell.

Refuge.—J. A. Staton, Thomas Gibbs, Wm. Case* J. G. Stepp,* James Justice,* Reuben Brock and P. T. Ward.

Green River.—J. B. F. Pace,* N. W. Corn, J. E. Beddingfield, W. F. Pace and G. C. Beddingfield.

Pleasant Hill.—E. R. Nelson, T. A. Drake, B. F. Lee and Elisha Mince.

South River.—J. E. Waldrop, John Cox and T. J. Newby.

Cross Plains.—A. A. Stewart, R. P. Pitman, William Turner* and W. S. Taylor.

Shaw's Creek.—John McCarson, M. E. Cox and G. B. Nelson.

Golden Hill.—Henry Stepp, Willis Cox and S. T. Staton.

Cross Roads.—H. C. Ward,* Philip Kuykendall, W. P. Goodwin and W. A. Fortune.

Cedar Springs.—J. C. Capps, E. D. Stepp and Perry McDowell.

Friendship.—James Blythe, A. J. Corn,* J. E. Guice, G. W. Rhodes and C. Bradley.

Green Mountain.—S. M. Gilbert, J. B. Freeman and J. S. Gentle.

Mount Olivet.—Alexander Capps,* M. D. Corn and William Ward.

Oak Grove, N. C.—J. L. Brooksheir, John Kuykendall, A. G. Blackwell and T. E. Waters.

North River.—T. E. Hudson,* James Calloway and S. Jewel.

Pleasant Grove—W. R Justus, J. B. Sentell, J. C. Orr and R. J. Justus.*

The Moderator appointed Joseph E. Carter and A. D. Bowers

Tellers of election. Tellers report W. B. Johnson, Moderator, and J. W. Middleton, Clerk; G. B. Hudson, Treasurer.

The Introductory was preached by Rev J. E. Carter from 1st Thess 1:4–10, after which prayer was offered by R. Freeman.

Sung "Am I a soldier of the cross," after which brother Carter addressed the body in behalf of the WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST.

Intermission for 10 minutes.

Reconvened by singing.

Opened the door for membership and received a letter from Pleasant Grove church, and welcomed her delegates to seats in council.

Opened the door for correspondents, and received from the Greenville Association Rev. J. E. Mullinax, and from the Henderson County Association J. H. Justice, and J. E. Carter as Agent of the Western Baptist Convention, W. S. Huntley, visitor from Barnwell church.

The Moderator appointed the following committees:

On Arrangements—G. W. Mace, J. L. Brookshier, J. R. Rhodes and Jesse Staton.

On Religious Exercises.—T. E. Waters, W. C. Ward and H. D. Drake.

The committee on Religious Exercises report that A. D. Bowers and E. J. Mullinax preach to-night at early candle light.

On motion, adjourned until to-morrow morning 9 o'clock, to spend half hour in devotional exercises.

SECOND DAY.

FRIDAY, October 1st, 1886.

Met according to adjournment. Spent half hour in devotional exercises led by Elder James Blythe. Proceeded to business. Appointed committees on different objects.

On Finance.—P. T. Ward, W. A. Fortune and John Kuykendall.

On Periodicals.—J. T. Staton, Henry Stepp and S. Jewel.

On Temperance.—W. R. Justus, E. R. Nelson and W. D. Corn.

On Education.—Thomas Gibbs, Joshua Pruitt and J. C. Capps.

On State of Religion.—J. A. Staton, J. R. Rhodes and J. L. Brookshier.

On Foreign Missions.—Thomas Gibbs, T. E. Waters and George Beddingfield.

On Obituaries.—Joshua Pruitt, J. B. Freeman and G. W. Plumbly.

On Sabbath Schools.—Alexander Pruitt, A. A. Stewart and J. E. Waldroop.

On Church Letters.—James Blythe, J. B. F. Pace and G. B. Nelson.

On Nominations.—C. Bradley, Reuben Brock and G. B. Hudson.

On Time and Place.—B. F. Turner, W. P. Goodwin and J. M. Bryan.

On Home Missions.—J. B. Freeman, W. P. Goodwin and N. W. Corn

On Form of Church Letters.—J. B. Freeman, Joshua Pruitt, E. J. Mullinax and James Blythe.

On Union Meetings.—S. Jewel, John Cox and James Calloway.

On motion, all visiting Ministers were invited to seats; Rev. G. S Jones accepted invitation.

Intermission for half hour.

Come together by singing. Called for report on Order of Business.

The order of Business is: 1st, Open the door for membership; 2d, For Correspondents; 3rd, Invite visiting brethren to seats; 4th, Business coming up regularly before the body; 5th, Adjourn at will.

THE CLERK FOR COMMITTEE.

Opened the door for Churches. Received none.

Called for Correspondents. Received none

On motion, suspended the rules and called for report on Religious Exercises.

Your committee on Religious Exercises report that W. T. Huntly and J. R. Rhodes occupy the stand this evening.

T. E. WATERS, Chm'n.

G. S. Jones presented a preamble prepared by the committee of the Union Meeting held at Mud Creek. The committee was appointed by the County and the first division of the Carolina unions met together. Speeches were made by G. S. Jones, J. B. Freeman, the Moderator and Clerk. The vote was taken and the question lost.

EVENING SESSION.

Come together by singing. Called for reports.

COMMITTEE ON TIME AND PLACE

Report that this body meet with the Oak Grove church, S. C., 3 miles from Gowensville, Greenville county, S. C., on Thursday before the 1st Sunday in October, 1887, at half past 10 o'clock, a. m.

B. F. TURNER, Chm'n.

Received and adopted.

REPORT ON FINANCE.

Sent up by the Churches to pay for printing minutes, $26.00.

P. T. WARD, Chm'n.

Received and adopted.

THE COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS

Report that G. W. Mace preach the Introductory. J. L. Brookshier, alternate. W. B. Johnson, Missionary Sermon; A. D. Bowers alternate.

C. BRADLEY, Chm'n.

Received and adopted.

COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS PERIODICALS

Recommend the WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST, at Asheville, N, C., and the BAPTIST COURIER, published at Greenville, S. C., as true exponents of Baptist princip'es.

J. T. STATON, Chm'n.

Received and adopted.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

We your committee beg leave to submit the following: The cause of Temperance is advancing, and we believe that it is clearly seen that the vices produced thereby are decreasing, and we trust that its success will, by the grace of God, go on until over all our land and nation it shall prevail. We do request that all continue to pray God that He will bless us in our efforts to put down this great evil.

Respectfully submitted. J. B. SENTELL, Chm'n.

Received and adopted.

Moved by J. R. Rhodes to reconsider the preamble offered by G. S. Jones and make it a special order for to-morrow 11 o'clock. Carried.

REPORT ON STATE OF RELIGION.

We your committee on State of Religion beg leave to report that most all of our churches have been wonderfully blest. We hope this will encourage our work more in the next year. We find about 316 baptized, and several awaiting baptism. Respectfully submitted.

J. A. STATON, Chm'n.

Adjourned for night session.

NIGHT SESSION.

Prayer by brother Gilbert. Proceeded to business.

Received the report of First District of Union Meetings.

First District reports a good meeting every 5th Sunday, and a committee ready to report a programme for the 5th Sunday in October at Golden Hill. We are well organized for the work.

R. M. GILBERT, Chm'n.

On motion, Pleasant Grove was added to the 1st section.

REPORT OF 2ND DIVISION

First meeting be held with Friendship church Friday before the 5th Sunday in October, 1886. Introductory, James Blythe; alternate, J. W. Middleton. Missionary, J. R. Rhodes, and M. D. Corn, alternate.

G. B. HUDSON, Chm'n.

REPORT OF 3D DIVISION.

The committee report a Union Meeting with Oak Grove, S. C., to be held on Friday before the 5th Sunday in October, 1886. T. F. Nelson to preach the Introductory; Alexander Pruitt, alternate. B. E. Chastain, the Missionary; T. E. Hudson, alternate.

S. JEWEL, Chm'n.

Adopted.

REPORT ON MISSIONS.

We find from the report of the church letters that there has been a great deal of work done in the bounds of this Association Not having been connected with any board we are unable to get up any statistical report; therefore, we would recommend that a better system be gotten up.

THOMAS GIBBS, Chm'n.

Received and adopted.

SABBATH SCHOOLS.

We your committee on Sabbath Schools beg leave to report that while Sabbath Schools are not all they should be, yet from the information we can gather from the reading of the letters from the churches composing the Carolina Association, we find the interest of the Sabbath School cause is increasing, and we suggest that your body appoint one brother in each section of our Union Meetings to visit the several churches, and lecture in behalf of the Sabbath School cause. We further suggest that all the churches of this Association report the statistics of their several schools in their church letters at our next annual meeting. Respectfully submitted,

ALEXANDER PRUITT, Chm'n.

Adjourned until half-past 9 in the morning.

THIRD DAY.

SATURDAY, October 2nd, 1886.

Met according to adjournment. Spent 30 minutes in devotional exercises, led by Jesse Staton. Sung, "Alas! and did." Prayer by Brother Blythe.

Renewed call for correspondents and received from the County Association, Professors J. B. Boone, Brown and Briggs, of Judson College, also Elders D. B. Nelson and S. C. Owen. Read the Constitution and Rules of Order.

As the time for the special order to reconsider the preamble offered by brother G. S. Jones had arrived, the Association heard the reading of said preamble, and in compliance with the request of the County Association, brother J. R. Rhodes offered the following resolution:

RESOLVED, That whereas, the Henderson County Association has made an overture of love to this Association, setting forth their desire and willingness to meet with this body; and whereas, there is no known cause existing to prevent the unity of the same. Therefore, be it,

RESOLVED, That this Association do hereby, in view of the proposition of the Henderson County Association, ask the delegates and ministers of this Association to lay this matter before their respective churches, and ask each

of their respective churches to send one delegate with their ministers, to meet with the delegates of the County Association at Refuge church, on Friday before the first Sunday in November, 1886.

Received and adopted.

REPORT ON CHURCH LETTERS.

We, your committee on Church Letters, report the following: After examining the various church letters, we find from Beulah a glorious revival, with 51 added by Baptism; Green Mountain, we learn, 17 stand approved for Baptism; from Double Springs, 15 by Baptism; Golden Hill, nothing special; from Mountain Hill 4 by Baptism, and ask your prayers; Mountain Page, a glorious revival, with 53 Baptisms; from Shaws Creek, 21 by Baptism; from Friendship, 9 by Baptism; Pleasant Hill, 13 by Baptism; Oak Grove, N. C., 18 by Baptism; from Cedar Springs, a revival and 22 Baptisms; South River, 7 by Baptism; Mount Olivet, a revival, with 19 by Baptism; Green River 4 by baptism; Cross Roads, a revival and 13 added by baptism; Oak Grove S. C., nothing special; North River reports nothing special; Cross Plains, 9 by baptism; Refuge reports a revival and 30 additions by baptism; Pleasant Grove, 4 by baptism; Mount Olivet, N. C., and Oak Grove, S. C., ask your body to convene with them at your next annual session. Respectfully submitted,

JAMES BLYTHE, Chairman.

REPORT ON OBITUARIES.

We, your committee, report that 20 of our number have been called away by death the past year. This, though small, is a warning to "Be ye also ready," come death when it may, to meet the Grim Monster, and we should all thank God for his Providential care over us through the year that is past.

Respectfully submitted, JOSHUA PRUITT, Chairman.

REPORT ON FORM OF CHURCH LETTERS.

RESOLVED, That this body request the Clerk to send to the editor of the "Baptist Courier" and get a quantity of Blanks for the churches of this body, and that we now make up one dollar for that purpose.

J. B. FREEMAN.

Received and adopted.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

Your Committee on Education would say, there is a marked improvement all along the lines, and there is a brighter day dawning upon this people. God speed the day when education shall be placed in the fore-front of the battle. We heartily recommend Judson College as worthy of the patronage of all our people. THOMAS GIBBS, Chairman.

After speeches by Professors Boone and Brown and Elder S. C. Owen, the report was adopted.

Adjourned one hour for dinner.

EVENING SESSION.

Reconvened by singing, and proceeded to business.

Moved by brother Blythe that G. S. Jones be added to the Committee on Foreign Missions. Adopted.

Appointed correspondents to Greenville Association: J. W. Middleton and J. R. Rhodes. To the Henderson County Association: J. L Brookshier, J. R. Rhodes and J A. Staton.

On motion, opened correspondence with the New Found Association, and appointed G. W. Mace and L. C. Hamilton, delegates.

Called for report on Foreign Missions.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Within the past few years a fresh impetus has marked the efforts of the Southern Baptist Convention in the work of christianizing the Heathen in the five Continents where our Missionaries are now at work. About 110 laborers are in the service of the Foreign Mission Board, occupying 48 stations, with a roll call of nearly 1,500 communicants. The reports from Africa show, in six stations, the ingathering of over 200 Bible pupils, and a church membership of 150. Reports from the fifteen stations in Europe, including Rome, Milan, Venice. Bologna, Naples, Island of Sardinia, and others, show a membership of at least 280, and 180 Sunday-school attendants. The eye of English and American Baptists is fixed permanently on China, where our sixty devoted men and women, including our beloved M. T. Yates and brethren Bryan and Herring and their wives, (native North Carolinians,) are laboring in Tung Chow, Shanghai and Canton Missions, having a footing, in 20 stations, of 800 church members and about 500 Sunday-school pupils. We look also with hopefulness to our Brazilian Mission in South America. There our six Missionaries are holding three stations, with 100 church members and 50 Sunday-school attendants.

Our English brethren are opening the doors of Kabylia, the Central province of Algeria, extending from the shores of the Mediteranian inland to the Atlas mountains. These people are said to be an unusually intelligent race, not so bigoted as the Mohamedans. They belong to the Berber race, of North Africa.

Five American and seven native missionaries are at work in the Republic of Mexico. This is quite a new field for Baptist missionary operations. Here are now five stations, of which the city of Saltillo is the principal point, whose church consists of 75 members and a Sunday school of 80 pupils. In this Mexican field there are now no less than 200 communicants. Baptisms occur nearly every month. Here we find a Baptist newspaper—Elheraldo Mexicano—a decided success, whose net profits have been sufficient to maintain a mission school for quite a while in Saltillo. The closing years of the 19th century are indeed large with wondrous changes among the nations whose portals are open to the revolutionizing effects of the Gospel of Jesus. We recommend that pledges be now taken for promoting this great Christian enterprise. Respectfully submitted,

J. B. FREEMAN, N. W. CORN,
G. S. JONES. J. S. GENTLE.

Received and adopted, after which the following pledges were taken:

Rev. D. B. Nelson, for Beulah church. $5; the delegates for for Cross Roads, $2 50; Mountain Page, $5; Oak Grove. N. C., $5; Double Springs, $5; Green Mountain, $5; Shaws Creek, $5; Friendship, $2; Pleasant Hill $2; Cedar Springs, $2; made up by the body to help finish the church house at Shaws Creek. $4.50. On motion the Treasurer is ordered to pay over to the clerk for printing minutes, and clerk's salary ($5), $26.60; Collection on Sunday for Shaw's Creek church $19 15.

RESOLVED. That the thanks of this body is hereby tendered to the brethren and sisters and good people of Shaws Creek and vicinity for their kind treatment during this session of the Association. May the blessings of Heaven be showered upon them. Respectfully submitted,

JOSHUA PRUITT.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Received from the Committee on Finance,	$20.00
Collection on Sabbath,	9.00
Received from Oak Grove, S. C., for Associational Missions,	50
Received from New Liberty,	50
Balance in Treasurer's hands,	6.35
Total Received,	$36.35
Paid the Clerk to have Minutes printed,	$15.00
" Clerk for his services,	5.00
" J. L. Brookshier for Mission Labor,	16.35
Total paid over,	$36.35

G. B. HUDSON, Treasurer.

Received and adopted.

FOURTH DAY.

SUNDAY, October 3rd, 1886.

Met at 9:30 a. m. Devotional exercises conducted by G. W. Mace.

The Missionary Sermon was preached by Elder James Blythe, at 11 a. m., from Isaiah 11:10, after which a collection was taken, amounting to $19.15, which amount was given to Shaw's Creek Church to help finish their house.

Intermission for one hour.

Preaching in the afternoon by Elder A. J. Corn, from John 5th chapter and 39th verse.

Adjourned to meet at Oak Grove, S. C., on Thursday before the First Sunday in October, 1887.

W. B. JOHNSON, MODERATOR.

J. W. MIDDLETON, CLERK.

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CONSTITUTION.

We, the members of the Baptist Church of Jesus Christ, who have, on profession of our faith in Him, been immersed, believing that the Holy Scriptures are the only standard of faith and duty for Christians, enjoining as they do zealous and continued effort in promoting the cause of our blessed Lord, do now unite in this Association under this Constitution, for the advancement of the objects therein stated.

ARTICLE 1st. This Association shall be called the CAROLINA BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, and shall be composed of representatives chosen by each church in the Union, from among the number of its own members, who shall carry to

each meeting of the body, certificates of their election, with a statement of the membership, conditions and prospects of the church they represent, the names of its licensed and ordained ministers, and such contributions as have been made for benevolent objects, which shall be appropriated only as the donors may direct.

2nd. This Association shall meet annually, and shall be organized as soon as the names of the representatives are enrolled, by the election of a Moderator, a Clerk and a Treasurer, by ballot, who shall hold offices until the next annual meeting.

3rd. Each church shall be entitled to a representation of three delegates, and an additional one for every 50 members in excess of one hundred.

4th. The Association shall be governed by such Rules of Order as it may from time to time adopt.

5th. Any church holding the principles of the doctrine of Christ, and the order of His house, as generally held by those denominated Baptists, may connect itself with this Association at any meeting of the same.

6th. The decisions of the Association shall, in all cases, except in the matter of amendments to the Constitution, be made by a majority vote, but amendments to the Constitution must be adopted by a two-third vote. Amendments may be adopted at any meeting of the Association.

7th. The Association reserves the inalienable right to expel any church that abandons the principles of this organization.

8th. This Association holds that the churches of Christ, though not possessed of any sovereign authority, are, nevertheless, in their government, independent of each other, and of all other ecclesiastical organizations, and accountable to no tribunal, but to Christ only, and holds that while it is the duty of all churches, in temporal matters, to be obedient to the laws of the land, in spiritual matters, they should be obedient alone to Jesus Christ their only head and law-giver.

9th. While this Association holds that each church of Christ is an independent body, as above stated, it does not regard itself an advisory council, although it does not deem it amiss to give counsel, and answer queries, when petitioned by the churches; but, the Association is of opinion that the best mode of settling differences between churches, is to take the same scriptural steps as are prescribed for the settling of difficulties between members; that the church that feels aggrieved should send a statement of the cause of grievance to the sister church which gave the offence, and if it will not give Christian satisfaction, then call upon one or two sister churches to assist in a settlement, and if the offending church will not listen then, then report the same to this body which will not pay any attention to such complaints unless the above course of procedure has been complied with.

10th. This Association will not admit, or receive, any church into membership in the union, that is known to be in disorder, or composed of members excluded from another church of the same order of this Association.

11th. Any church in good standing in this Association shall at any time be allowed the privilege of withdrawing from the same.

12th. This Association may correspond and form a brotherly union with any Baptist organization holding similar views of doctrines and duty, with those held by this body.

13th. This Association may appoint as many Boards, or Committees, as may be necessary for carrying on the business and accomplishing the objects of its organization. These, when so appointed, shall make reports at the times appointed by the Association.

14th. The minutes shall be read and corrected, if necessary, in the morning of each day of the session, and at the close of the last day.

15th. As the business of the Association must be finished before its adjourn-

ment, no member shall be allowed to depart from any of its sessions without leave.

16th. The Association shall keep a book in which this Constitution, and a minute of each session shall be recorded, which book shall be present at every meeting of the Association.

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RULES OF ORDER.

1. The annual meetings of the Association shall open by singing and prayer, at half-past ten o'clock, on the Thursday before the first Lord's day in October in each year. At this hour the Moderator, or in his abscence the Clerk, shall call the members to order, when the certificates will be presented, and the names of the members enrolled. This body will then be organized by the election of officers, and thus organized, attend upon the introductory discourse, at the close of which the Association will take recess or proceed to business.

2. The order of business is to open the door—1. For membership. 2. For correspondence. 3. For any business coming up regularly.

3. The Association shall on each day open and close with prayer by the Moderator, or a brother, at his request. The title of "Brother" shall be used in all the meetings of this body.

4. The Moderator shall preside in the meetings of the body, keep and decide questions of order, subject to appeal from members.

5. Questions shall be decided by "Aye" or "No;" doubtful cases by the rising of the members to their feet until they are counted.

6. The Moderator shall appoint all committees, except those ordered by ballot.

7. In all cases by bollot, the Moderator may vote; in other cases he may not, unless the body be equally divided, or unless his vote, if given to the minority, will make the division equal, and in that case the question shall be lost.

8. A member may, on motion, submit any subject to the consideration of the Association that relates to its design or objects, and if seconded, it shall receive due consideration, except it be withdrawn by the mover with the consent of the body.

9. If two or more members shall rise to speak at the same time, the Moderator shall decide the priority of right.

10. If a member shall violate any of these rules, any member may, but the Moderator shall, call him to order.

11. No member shall speak on the same subject oftener than twice, without leave of the Association, except to explain.

12. A member, in making a motion, speaking, or in debate, shall rise and address the Moderator respectfully.

13. When a motion is made and seconded, it shall be stated by the Moderator before debate.

14. When the Moderator is putting the question, or addressing the body, no member shall walk out of or across the house, nor, when a member is speaking, enter into private conversation, or pass between the speaker and the Moderator, but all are required to pay strict attention.

15. No member shall leave the house without leave of absence from the Moderator.

16. When a question is under debate, no motion will be received, except to amend; to postpone to a given day or indefinitely; to lay on the table, or to adjourn, which is always in order, and decided without debate.

17. One member only shall speak at a time, who shall not be interrupted, unless he depart from the subject under consideration, use words of personal reflection, or is called to order.

18. The Clerk shall keep a fair record of the proceedings of each meeting, prepare them for the press, keep a regular file of them, and bring or send it to

each meeting, and on going out of office, put it in the hands of his successor.

19. The Treasurer shall receive and have charge of all monies and specialties of the Association; pay out money to order of the body only, and at each meeting present a statement of his department.

20. The Association shall appoint at each meeting two of her ministering brethren, with alternates—one to preach the Introductory Sermon on the first day of the next meeting, directly after the organization of the body, and the other to preach the Associational Sermon on the Lord's day, directly after the morning sermon. At the close of the Association sermon, a collection will be taken up from the audience in support of one or more of the benevolent objects sustained by the Association.

21. The Association may have an address to the Churches prepared and published with the Minutes whenever she may think proper.

STATISTICS OF THE CHURCHES FOR 1886.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	CLERKS.	P. OFFICES.	Meeting Day.	Baptized.	Rec. by Letter.	Excluded.	Restored.	Dismissed.	Died.	Membership.	Minute Fund.
Beulah,	D. B Nelson,	H. D. Drake,	Bowman's Bluff,	1	51	9		1	1	2	221	36 00
Mountain Page,	J. K. Rhodes,	J. T. Staton,	Saluda,	1	53	9	2	10	5	1	325	3 10
Double Springs,	J. T. Singleton,	W. C. Ward,	Green River,	4	15	2	2		5		105	1 00
Mountain Hill,	J. R. Rhodes,	Joshua Pruitt,	Merritsville s c	4	4		14	9	3	2	106	1 25
Oak Grove, S.C.	A. D. Bowers,	G. W. Plumbly,	Landrums, s. c.	4		5	2		5	1	111	1 50
Refuge,	James Blythe,	P. T. Ward,	Blue Ridge,	1	32	3	6	3	7	2	283	1 75
Green River,	J. R. Rhodes,	T. T. Morris,	Green River,	2	4	3	1	1	5	1	80	1 05
Pleasant Hill,	G. W. Mace,	R. L. Drake,	Hendersonville.	3	13			5		1	71	1 00
South River,	E. J. Mullinax.	D. E. Corban,	Wattacoo, s. c.,		7		6	4	6	4	64	75
Cross Plains,	W. P. Turner.	Wm. Turner,	Lima, S. C.,	2	9	9		1	2	1	75	85
Shaw's Creek,	R. M. Gilbert,	Jos. McCrary,	Hendersonville,	3	21	4	4	2	6	1	139	2 20
Golden Hill,	J. A. Staton,	S. T. Staton,	Blue Ridge,	2			14				47	65
Cross Roads,	J. R. Rhodes,	W. A. Fortune,	Green River,	3	13	1	4	1	3	2	51	1 00
Cedar Springs,	J. L. Brookshier	J. C. Capps,	"	1	22	8		2	2		105	75
Friendship,	James Blythe,	J. L. Thompson	Saluda,	3	9	2	3	1		2	109	1 45
Green Mountain	J. L. Brookshier	D. R. Ledbetter	Fruitland,	2		7	2		5		70	1 30
Mt. Olivet,	J. W. Anderson	D. N. Osteen,	Flat Rock,	4	19	5		1			75	95
Oak Grove, N.C.	J. L. Brookshier	T. E. Waters,	"	3	18	6	2	1	5	1	93	2 00
North River,	T. E. Hudson,	John J. Odam,	Marietta, s. c.,	2					1	1	56	1 00
Pleasant Grove,	L. C. Hamilton,	J. B. Sentell,	Bowman's Bluff,	4	4	1					66	70
New Liberty,		T. F. Coleman,	Bellevue, s. c.,	1					1		133	

APPENDIX.

REFUGE BAPTIST CHURCH, HENDERSON CO., N. C.,
November 5th, 1886.

In accordance with the recommendation adopted by the *Henderson Conn'y* and *Carolina* Baptist Associations, as appears in the foregoing records, the following named delegates from their respective churches, assembled at Refuge Baptist Church in joint Convention, this day, for the purpose of considering a proposition to bring the two Associations together and form one organic body.

At eleven o'clock, devotional exercises were conducted by Elder James Blythe, and the Convention was called to order under the election of Elder W. B. Johnson as Chairman, and Elder G. S. Jones as Secretary.

Representatives from the following churches were then enrolled:

CAROLINA ASSOCIATION.

Beulah—H. D. Drake.

Cross Roads—W. A. Fortune.

Mountain Page—Reuben Staton, Elders J. R. Rhodes and J. W. Middleton.

Oak Grove—T. E. Waters, Elders J. L. Brookshier and T. J. Waters.

Double Springs—Elder W. B. Johnston.

Green Mountain—J. B. Freeman.

Shaw's Creek—G. W. Allen and W. H. Davis.

Oak Grove, (S. C.)—J. J. Campbell and Elder Alex. Pruitt.

Friendship—J. E. Guice, Elders James Blythe and A. J. Corn.

Green River—J. B. F. Pace.

Refuge—Thomas Gibbs, Elders Wm. Case, R. M. Gilbert and J. A. Staton.

Golden Hill—R. J. King.

Pleasant Hill.—R. T. Drake.

Mt. Olivet—Elder M. D. Corn.

Cedar Springs—A. Capps and Elder M. Heatherly.

Churches in the Henderson County Association represented as follows:

Mt. Moriah—J. H. Justice and Elder John Liverett.

Ebenezer—J. J. Blythe.

Liberty—L. J. Ledbetter.

Hooper's Creek—James Garren.
Bear Wallow—J. W. Freeman.
Salem—J. A. Gallamore.
Hendersonville—J. Williams and Elder G. S. Jones.
Mills River—A. E. Brown and Elder G. K. Moore.
Pleasant Grove—John Rickman.
Mt. Gilead—Elder S. C. Owen.
Mud Creek—J. D. Nelson.

The Convention was then permanently organized by the election of Elder James Blythe Moderator, and Elder G. S. Jones Secretary.

J. B. Freeman presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That a special committee of three from each Association be appointed to present to this body some definite propositions touching the purpose of the present Convention.

Moderator appointed the following: J. B. Freeman, J. R. Rhodes, W. B. Johnson, G. S. Jones, J. Williams, S. C. Owen, and the name of Moderator Blythe was added to the committee.

Committee took recess till 3 o'clock p. m., when the above named committee made the following report:

Your committee entrusted with the presentation of some definite proposition touching the matter of Associational unity between the two bodies here represented, respectfully submit,

1st. That it is both desirable and practicable for the Carolina and Henderson County Associations to be united under one and the same Constitution and name, and that the union thereof be now so declared under the name of "THE CAROLINA BAPTIST ASSOCIATION."

2nd. That all associational appointments now pending as to time and place and introductory services for next annual meeting be made subject to this Convention.

3rd. That the plans proposed by either of the said bodies at their late sessions, as to Associational Missions and Sunday-school work, be entrusted to the management of one Board consisting of six members, three from each Association.

4th. That the first annual meeting of this body as now declared united under the name aforesaid, to-wit: The Carolina Baptist Association, shall be held with the Refuge Church, on Thursday before the first Sabbath in October, 1887, and that Elder J. B. Boone be appointed to preach the introductory sermon. Elder J. W. Middleton, alternate.

5th. That all the churches within these Associational limits, not represented in this Convention, be informed of our present action, and respectfully requested to send delegates to the annual meeting above mentioned.

6th. That the proceedings of this Convention be published as an Appendix to the forthcoming minutes of each Association, under cover of same, for the year 1886, and that a collection be now raised for additional expense of printing the same.

Respectfully submitted,

Committee, { J. B. FREEMAN, J. WILLIAMS, W. B. JOHNSTON, G. S. JONES, J. R. RHODES, S. C. OWEN.

The above report, after due consideration, was adopted unanimously, (one vote excepted)

On motion, a committee consisting of J. H. Justice, Thos. Gibbs and R. Staton, was appointed to nominate three members for each of the Boards.

The following names were presented and accepted,—as additions to a like number already appointed by the Henderson County Association—to wit:

Mission Board—Joshua Pruitt, A. Hart and J. B. F. Pace.

Sunday School Board—J. B. Freeman, A. Pruitt and Luther Johnston.

J. B. Freeman introduced the following.

Resolved, That we recommend to our Associational and Sunday School Boards the propriety of employing a general Sunday School Missionary to labor in the bounds of this Association, beginning in early Spring.

Pending consideration, the convention adjourned to 10 o'clock Saturday morning.

Benediction by the Moderator.

SATURDAY MORNING.

Convention met. Prayer by brother Brown. In the absence of the Secretary, Elder J. W. Middleton was made Secretary pro-tem.

The resolution on general Sunday School Missionary work was called up, and after remarks by brethren Freeman, Middleton, Brookshire, Ledbetter, Prof. Brown, A. E. Brown, was adopted. During this discussion, it was mentioned that Bear Wallow Sunday School has not failed to meet every Sabbath, for the past *fourteen years*. "*A Model School*." Prayer for Sunday School success was then offered by J. B. Freeman.

A resolution of thanks for the hospitality of the community as offered by J. W. Middleton was adopted.

After some happy fraternal remarks by various brethren the body adjourned to meet at Refuge Church on Thursday before the 1st Sabbath in Oct. 1887.

JAMES BLYTHE.
Moderator.

G. S. JONES, Secretary.
J. W. MIDDLETON, Assistant Secretary.

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NAMES AND POSTOFFICES OF ORDAINED MINISTERS:

G. W. Mace and L. C. Hamilton, Bowman's Bluff, N. C.; B. E. Chastain, Highlands, S. C.; J. L. Brookshier, Flat Rock, N. C.; J. R. Rhodes and James Blythe, Saluda, N. C.; C. M. Philips and M. D. Corn, Green River, N. C.; Wm. B. Johnson, Middle Saluda, S. C.; J. M. Bryan, Bowman's Bluff; R. M. Gilbert and J. A. Staton, Blue Ridge, N. C.; G. W. Johnson, J. B. Boone, G. S. Jones, Hendersonville; A. J. Corn, Grange, N. C.; D. B. Nelson, Horse Shoe; J. R. Heatherly, Green River; S. C. Owen, Gypsy; J. W. Anderson, Delmont; W. S. Case, Blue Ridge; John Liverett, Edneyville; W. J. Wilkie, Fruitland, N. C.

LICENTIATES.

H. Patton, D. W. Revis, H. Heatherly, and J. C. Capps, P. Kuykendall, Green River; M. M. Staton, Saluda, N. C.; T. J. Waters, Flat Rock; J. W. Justice, J. G. Stepp, and Wm. Jones, Blue Ridge; J. G. McCarson, Hendersonville; J. J. Gray, Bowman's Bluff; T. J. Ballard, Gypsy.

Proceedings.

Refuge Church, Henderson County, North Carolina,
Thursday, September 29, 1887.

THE Carolina Baptist Association convened with the Refuge Baptist church, and after reading the first division of the Psalms by the former moderator, Wm. B. Johnson, and prayer by Elder James Blythe, the Association was called to order by the former moderator.

The moderator appointed brother J. B. Freeman and Elder John Liverett as reading clerks, and letters were read from the following churches and names of delegates enrolled:

Beulah.—Elder G. W. Mace, Elder L. C. Hamilton, M. B. Burrell, W. A. Morris, R. F. Orr, H. D. Drake, and C. D. Morris.

Mountain Page.—Elder J. R. Rhodes, J. J. Davis, John Ward, A. T. Hart, W. P. Davis, J. M. Pace, J. B. Ward, J. T. Staton, B. F. Turner.

Double Springs.—Elder Wm. B. Johnson, G. B. Hudson, D. L. Beddingfield.

Mountain Hill.—Joshua Pruitt, C. A. Gosnell.

Oak Grove (S. C.)—G. W. Plumlee, Alexander Pruitt, G. J. Pierce, Wm. Griffin.

Refuge.—Joseph Taylor, B. Williams, Erwin Neal, Thomas Gibbs, Johnson Hill, S. J. Justice, Thomas Brock, J. G. Stepp, James Justice.

Green River.—N. W. Corn, G. C. Beddingfield.

Pleasant Hill.—No delegates.

South River.—No delegates.

Cross Plains.—Elder J. W. Middleton.

Shaws Creek.—G. B. Nelson, W. N. Corn, W. H. Davis.

Golden Hill.—H. T. Staton, John Hider.

Cross Roads.—P. Kuykendall, W. A. Fortune.

Cedar Springs.—Moses Heatherly, A. Capps, A. M. Capps.

Friendship.—Elder James Blythe, Wm. Henderson, Joseph Guice, G. W. Rhodes.

Green Mountain.—J. B. Freeman, S. J. Blythe, J. H. Freeman.

Mount Olivet.—Edward Osteen, C. P. Kuykendall, R. H. Capps.

Oak Grove (N. C.)—C. A. Hill, Wm. Jones, John Kuykendall.

North River.—J. A. Christopher.

Pleasant Grove (No. 1).—G. B. Sentell.

New Liberty.—D. B. Nichol.

Mount Moriah.—S. Williamson, W. M. Jackson, J. H. Justice, G. W. Brown, Wm. Ledbetter, Elder J. Liverett.

Liberty.—J. O. Wall, C. Shepherd.

Hoopers Creek.—J. A. Garren, W. Maxwell.

Bear Wallow.—B. E. Grant, Elder W. J. Wilkie, J. H. Freeman, J. B. Walls, J. A. Freeman.

Salem.—J. T. Sales, J. M. Lance.

Hendersonville.—Elder J. B. Boone, Elder G. S. Jones, N. Buckner, J. A. Gallamore, J. P. Embler.

Mills River.—J. Rickman.

Pleasant Grove (No. 2.)—D. B. Andrews.

Mount Gilead.—J. Ballard, J. S. Rhodes.

Mud Creek.—Elder J. L. Brookshier, L. B. C. Brookshier, W. F. Roberson, J. S. Hefner.

French Broad.—Preston Hawkins, J. C. Morgan, Elder D. B. Nelson.

Middle Fork.—J. W. Watson, W. S. Grant.

Ebenezer.—Joseph Halbert, B. C. Allen, E. J. Shipman, J. M. Dermid.

Crab Creek.—J. F. Evans.

The moderator then appointed brothers J. B. Freeman and S. J. Justice as tellers of election, and the Association proceeded to elect officers, as follows: Elder James Blythe, moderator; Wm. B. Johnson, clerk; and G. B. Hudson, treasurer.

The Association then being organized, the introductory sermon was delivered by Elder J. B. Boone, from the 2d chapter and 19th verse of Paul's 2d letter to Timothy:

"Nevertheless the foundation of God standeth sure, having this seal, the Lord knoweth them that are his. And let every one that nameth the name of Christ depart from iniquity."

The Association then took a recess of fifteen minutes.

Came together by singing.

Received Rev. W. J. Justice, from the Buncombe county Association, and Rev. J. E. Carter, from New Found Association, as visitors.

Appointed the various committees as follows:

On Finance.—J. Pruitt, H. D. Drake, J. Garren.

Foreign Missions.—G. S. Jones, D. B. Nelson, T. F. Pace.

On Revision of the Constitution.—Thos. Gibbs, J. B. Freeman. James Garren, James Blythe, W. B. Johnson.

Obituaries.—J. Kuykendall, N. W. Corn, W. N. Corn.

Periodicals.—J. W. Middleton, J. Liverett, J Rickman.

Sabbath-schools.—J. B. Freeman, Samuel Williamson, H. Shepherd.

Temperance.—J. E. Carter, D. B. Nelson, J. B. Boone.

Church Letters.—T. J. Ballard, B. Williams, George Rhodes.

Education.—J. B. Boone, W. B. Johnson, J. L. Brookshier,

Nominations.—James Justice, J. L. Brookshier, J. T. Sales.

State of Religion.—J. W. Middleton, M. B. Burrell, William Maxwell.

Union Meetings.—J. B. Sentell, D. Ballew, J. W. Wilson.

Preaching.—J. J. Davis, Thos. Gibbs, Joseph Taylor.

Arrangements.—J. B. Boone, D. B. Nelson, J. B. Freeman, J. R. Rhodes, J. S. Rhodes, James Blythe. W. B. Johnson.

Time and Place.—C. A. Gosnell, B. E. Grant, P. Kuykendall.

Home Missions.—J. B. Ward, Wm. Henderson, J. B. Freeman.

Memorial of J. A. Dill.—J. W. Middleton, W. B. Johnson, G. B. Hudson.

Prayer by Rev. J. E. Carter.

Adjourned to meet to-morrow morning at 9:30 a. m.

SECOND DAY.

FRIDAY, September 30, 1887.

Met according to adjournment. Spent half an hour in devotional exercises, conducted by the moderator.

Called the role and marked absentees.

Opened the door for churches, and received Ebenezer, French Broad, Middle Fork, and Crab Creek, with their delegates, who were welcomed to seats in the body.

Called for correspondents, and received S. W. Hamilton from the Transylvania County Association.

The report of the Committee of Arrangements was received and adopted.

Adjourned till 1:30 o'clock p. m.

Came together by singing. Called for reports of committees.

The report on Education was received and adopted.

Report on Home Missions was received and adopted.

The report on Temperance was read, and after some remarks was made the special order for 1:30 o'clock to-morrow.

Prayer by Wm. Jones.

Adjourned until 9 o'clock to-morrow.

THIRD DAY.

SATURDAY, October 1, 1887.

Met according to adjournment. Prayer by Brother Wilkie.

Opened the door for the reception of churches, and received Boilston church by letter and delegates.

Appointed a committee to revise the Rules of Order. Report received and adopted.

The report on the State of Religion received and adopted.

The report on Periodicals received and adopted.

The report of the committee on revision of the Constitution was taken up. Then adjourned until 1:30 o'clock.

At this time the body took up the special order—the report on Temperance—which was unanimously adopted.

The report on Time and Place was read and adopted.

The following reports were read and adopted, viz: On Church Letters; on Obituaries; on Memorial on the Death of Rev. J. A. Dill; and on Foreign Missions.

A collection was taken for Foreign Missions amounting to $7.70.

Granted letters to the following churches: Golden Hill, Oak Grove (S. C.), New Liberty, Cross Plains, and North River.

The reports on Nominations and on Finance were read and adopted.

The following correspondents were then appointed:

To Transylvania, Rev. J. B. Boone, J. A. Gallamore, and W. J. Wilkie.

To Green River, Revs. J. R. Rhodes, J. A. Staton, and D. B. Nelson.

To Newfound, James Justice, and W. J. Wilkie.

To Buncombe county association, W. Buckner.

To North Greenville, J. Pruitt, J. F. Davis, David Ballew, and Wm. B. Johnson.

Rev. D. B. Nelson was appointed Historian.

The report of the committee on next Introductory and Missionary sermons was read and adopted.

A resolution of thanks was tendered to the brethren and friends of this neighborhood for the kind and hospitable manner in which they have entertained this body.

A resolution was adopted requiring the Clerk to have the minutes of this association printed, and allowing him five dollars for his services.

The Treasurer was authorized to pay the expenses of the body.

Adjourned to meet to-morrow at 9:30 o'clock. Prayer by T. H. Plemmons.

SABBATH MORNING.

Met according to adjournment.

The report of the Treasurer was read and adopted.

The report on Sabbath-schools was read and adopted, and a collection was taken for the Sunday-school Board, amounting to $6.60, which was credited to the Refuge Sunday-school.

The following Boards were then appointed and required to make their reports at the next meeting of the association:

On Foreign Missions—Elders G. S. Jones, J. L. Brookshier, and J. E. Carter.

On Education—Elders J. B. Boone, and J. W. Middleton, and Prof. W. A. G. Brown.

On Home Missions—Elders Wm. B. Johnson, W. J. Wilkie, and J. R. Rhodes.

On Sabbath-schools—Brethren J. B. Freeman, Samuel Williamson, and S. J. Justice.

On Associational Missions—Brethren J. A. Gallamore, G. B. Hudson, and R. A. Freeman.

Adjourned to meet at Beulah church, six miles west of Hendersonville, on Thursday before the second Sunday in October, 1888, at 10:30 a. m.

JAMES BLYTHE,
Moderator.

WM. B. JOHNSON,
Clerk.

The stand was occupied at 11 o'clock on Sabbath by Rev. Wm. B. Johnson, who preached the Missionary Sermon to a large and attentive audience. Text: Matthew 28:19, 20: "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you alway, *even* unto the end of the world."

At the close of the sermon a collection was taken, which amounted to $12.

In the afternoon the stand was occupied by brother T. H. Plemmons and brother J. R. Rhodes.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF ARRANGEMENTS.

Meet at 9:30 a. m.; spend 30 minutes in devotional exercises: adjourn at 11 o'clock for sermon; recess for dinner; resume labor at 1:30 p. m.; and adjourn at pleasure. Call for reports of committees, viz: Arrangements; Preaching one sermon each day; Time, Place, and Annual Sermon; Church Letters; State of the churches; Temperance; Home Missions; Education; Foreign Missions; Periodicals; Sunday-schools; Obituaries; to revise Constitution; on Nominations; appoint Correspondents; elect Historian; motions and resolutions.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

True Temperance is moderation in things allowable, and total abstinence from all things which injure. Intemperance is the great curse at present afflicting our people. It wraps our land like a dark curtain, carrying some into almost every household. Strong drink costs us more money than religion and education combined, and we may add also, the necessaries of life. We clip the following from a late number of the Baptist Reflector, published at Chattanooga, Tenn. These figures, which are facts, are startling and humiliating:

Home and Foreign Missions, $5,000,000; Public Education, $85,000,000; Sugar and Molasses, $155,000,000; Boots and Shoes, $196,000,000; Cotton goods, $210,000,000; Sawed lumber, $233,000,000; Iron and Steel, $290,000,000; Meat, $303,000,000; Bread, $505,000,000; Tobacco, $600,000,000; Liquor, $900,000,000. How can any one claiming to be a Christian, give aid or encouragement to the whisky traffic. A woe is pronounced against those who encourage others to drink. We advise our churches to discipline their members strictly, for intemperance, and to see that none give aid or encouragement to the making, vending, or using of intoxicating drinks as a beverage. We also advise all our members to vote the prohibition ticket for ail

candidates for civil offices, from constable up to President. We are thankful to be able to report that the cause of temperance is gaining ground.

D. B. NELSON,
J. B. BOONE,
Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON OBITUARIES.

We, your committee, are sorry to report that thirty-nine of our members have been called away by their Heavenly Father, to their reward, and it is with much regret that we state the death of our beloved brother, John A. Dill, who was a minister of much power. "How are the mighty fallen."

JOHN KUYKENDALL, Chairman.

REPORT ON CHURCH LETTERS.

Your committee, after examining the letters, find as follows: Cedar Springs, dead, one; Mud Creek, baptisms, 15, dead, 3; Mountain Hill, S. C., revival, baptisms, 12, reported dead, 5; New Liberty, S. C., requests a letter of dismission from your body; Mt. Gilead, baptisms, 1, dead, 1; Middle Fork, nothing special; Mills River, nothing special; Ebenezer, baptisms, 1, dead, 1; Hooper's Creek reports a revival, baptisms, 18, dead, 2; Green Mountain reports a revival, baptisms, 38, dead, 2; North Saluda, S. C., baptisms, 6; Oak Grove, baptisms, 7, dead, 2; Crab Creek reports a revival, baptisms, 23, dead, 1; Pleasant Grove, nothing special, dead 1; French Broad, nothing special, dead, 3; Green River, baptisms, 6, dead, 1; Bear Wallow reports a revival, baptisms, 16; Pleasant Grove, nothing special, dead, 1; Cross Roads, nothing special; Golden Hill, baptisms, 12, desire a letter of dismission from this body; Hendersonville, nothing special; Boilston, baptisms, 8, dead, 1; Double Springs, nothing special; Friendship reports a revival, baptisms, 17, dead, 2; Mt. Olivet, nothing special, dead, 1; Salem, baptisms, 3, dead, 3; Beulah, baptisms, 5, dead, 1; Mountain Page, nothing special; Oak Grove, S. C., baptisms, 4, dead, 1, they desire a letter of dismission from this body; Mt. Moriah, nothing special; Shaw's Creek, baptisms, 3, dead, 3; Refuge, nothing special, dead, 1; Liberty, baptisms, 8, dead, 1. All the churches except the following, reported Sunday-schools: Mountain Hill, S. C., New Liberty, S. C., Middle Fork, Crab Creek, Pleasant Grove, Cross Roads, and Golden Hill.

SAMUEL WILLIAMSON, Chairman.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

Education and religion are so closely connected that it is hard to separate them. It can never be done without damage to both. The Christian religion calls for the whole man, body, mind, and soul. And if the mind be neglected, we have only a partially developed man. We cannot attain to our full measure of power as a denomination, if we neglect the education of our youth. We are too apt to forget the importance of education in the Lord's work. Very few of us see any religious bearing at all in sending our children to school. But it is nevertheless true that few things we do have a more direct and powerful influence upon religion than the education of our children. We, therefore, ought to encourage schools of all grades among us. It is not necessary to have schools of all grades belong-

ing to the church or denomination, but we ought to be ready to encourage and support all healthy systems of education, and do all in our power to procure the best possible education for our young people. We recommend Judson College as an important factor in our denominational work, and as an institution worthy of our support and patronage.

J. B. BOONE,
W. B. JOHNSON,
J. L. BROOKSHIER,
Committee.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

However slow the progress may seem to be in broadcasting idolatrous countries with the seed of Christ's gospel, yet the parts which now confront us as to the work of our Southern Baptist Convention conducted through the Foreign Mission Board, located at Richmond, Va., are calculated to inspire confidence in all who gratefully contribute to the support of our 120 missionaries now at their posts of duty in China, Africa, Italy, Brazil, Mexico, and the Cuban Islands. The work is hopefully expanding in each of these fields, but the cry is still, "Send us more help in men and means." The Secretary of the Foreign Board has recently issued a statement, such is the increased demands of all our foreign work, and asks for immediate help, in order to avoid the necessity of borrowing funds from Banks for supporting our brethren in their efforts to introduce the standard of Christianity among heathen nations. Baptist doctrine seems to have completed the conversion of the Cubans under the preaching of Brother Diaz, and the hold which Brother Powell, in Mexico, seems to have taken upon the officials of that country is marvelous, indeed. Within the past three years the total membership of our foreign churches has about doubled, now being about 2,000, distributed among fifty-six stations, with our 1000 Sunday and day school pupils.

May the good work go on till earth's remotest nations shall learn to honor the name of our Redeemer.

G. S. JONES, Chairman.

REPORT ON SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.

Your committee report that a large majority of the churches composing this body have Sunday-schools. The number of pupils who understand the scriptures are 1,708; money paid for support of schools, $11.75: conversions in schools, 38. It is estimated that in the United States there are one million teachers and eight million students, the Baptists being well represented. It is obvious that our future success and strength is in the Sunday-school.

We would recommend the using of our own literature, published by the American Baptist Publication Society. We insist on an Associational Sunday-school Board to act in concert with the Sunday-school and Bible Board of the Western Baptist Convention, and that they appoint, if possible, a general Sunday-school missionary to labor in the bounds of this association.

SAMUEL WILLIAMSON,
J. B. FREEMAN,
Committee.

REPORT ON THE STATE OF RELIGION.

We, your committee, beg leave to report: After looking over the church letters, we find but few of our churches have had revivals of religion during this year, and we are inclined to think that our ministers and churches have relaxed their efforts to advance the cause of religion. A few churches, however, report glorious revivals of religion, and we would exhort our ministers and churches to redouble their diligence, and push on the work of evangelizing the whole country. J. W. MIDDLETON, Chairman.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

We are sorry to say that it has been impossible to have a meeting of the Board during the past year. We could not get the Board together. Our good brother, W. J. Wilkie, has been laboring in the bounds of this association, and also the Green River association. He reports:

Days labored	117	Prayer-meetings	15
Sermons preached	119	Churches and missions	2
Exhortations	20	Stations	5
Professions	40	Churches constituted	1
Babtized	42	Church-house built and filled	1

One church will be organized next Friday. Received from

Broad River church	$1 70	Point Look-out station	$1 00
Bear Wallow church	10 00	Mud Creek church	6 30
Middle Fork church	2 50	Green Mountain church	2 50
Ebenezer church	1 50	Mills River church	5 00

Three candidates stand approved for Baptism.

Brethren, shall this large association neglect longer to arise in her might and occupy this whole country for the Master. Let us have system. J. B. WARD, Chairman.

REPORT ON TIME AND PLACE.

Your committee on Time and Place of Next Meeting report that the association will convene with the Beulah church, seven miles west of Hendersonville, N. C., on Thursday before the second Lord's Day in October, 1888, at 10:30 a. m. Respectfully submitted.

C. A. GOSNELL, Chairman.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

We, your committee, recommend the WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST, published at Asheville, and the BAPTIST COURIER, published at Greenville, S. C., and also the FOREIGN MISSION JOURNAL, as papers worthy of our patronage. J. W. MIDDLETON, Chairman.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

The following amounts have been received:

From committee on finance	$26 60
Collections on Saturday	4 50
Collections on Sunday	19 15
Total	$50 25

Disbursed as follows:

Paid J. W. Middleton, Clerk, for printing Minutes	$26 60
Paid M. E. Case, for church building at Shaws Creek	23 65
Total	$50 25

G. B. HUDSON, Treasurer.

REPORT ON NOMINATIONS.

Your committee submit the following nominations as the result of their labors, towit:

On Associational Missions—J. B. Freeman, G. S. Jones, D. B. Nelson, and J. A. Gallamore.

Sunday-school Board—J. S. Rhodes, S. J. Justice, W. F. Robinson, Samuel Williamson, J. T. Sales, J. W. Justice, and J. L. Brookshier.

REPORT ON FINANCE.

Your committee report that, for defraying the expenses of printing the Minutes, the churches have sent up $32.55; for Missions, $13.20.

Respectfully submitted. JOSHUA PRUITT, Chairman.

REPORT ON INTRODUCTORY AND MISSIONARY SERMONS.

Your committee appoint to preach the Introductory Sermon at the next meeting of this association Elder W. B. Johnson; alternate, Elder J. L. Brookshier. To preach the Missionary Sermon at the same meeting, Elder James Blythe; alternate, Elder G. S. Jones.

MEMORIAL ON THE DEATH OF BROTHER J. A. DILL.

Your committee submit the following: Our dear brother, J. A. Dill, who has for a long time been an able and successful minister of the Gospel, of the Baptist faith and order, had been for some time afflicted, and, on the morning of the 19th day of September, 1887, he laid down his Bible and hymn-book, left the walks of men, and, as we have trust, went to his reward in heaven.

RESOLVED. That, in the death of Brother J. A. Dill, the denomination has lost an able minister of the Gospel, the church a good member, the wife a good husband, the children a good father, the country a good citizen, and the father and mother a devoted and noble son.

RESOLVED, That we believe our loss is his eternal gain—the Lord giveth and the Eord taketh away; blessed be the name of the Lord.

J. W. MIDDLETON, Chairman.

REPORT ON REVISION OF THE CONSTITUTION.

In Article 2d, insert the word Historian. Article 3d, all ordained ministers shall have seats as delegates. Article 7th, withdraw instead of expel. Article 9th, 2d line, rather regard in place of does not; in the 4th line before the words But the association will not presume to dictate to the churches, but give counsels which the churches may receive or reject. Article 11th, add at the last of the section, by letter; 16th, add, to the end of section, the constitution shall be printed in the minutes; 17th section, the objects of this association shall be the circulation of the Scriptures in destitute places, the encouragement and aid of Foreign, Home, Conventional, and Associational missions, Education, Sunday-schools, and Temperance.

CONSTITUTION

WE, the members of the Baptist Church of Jesus Christ, who have, on professsion of our faith in Him, been immersed, believing that the Holy Scriptures are the only standard of faith and duty for Christians, enjoining as they do zealous and continued effort in promoting the cause of our blessed Lord, do now unite in this Association under this Constitution, for the advancement of the objects therein stated.

ARTICLE I. This Association shall be called the CAROLINA BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, and shall be composed of representatives chosen by each church in the Union, from among the number of its own members, who shall carry to each meeting of the body, certificates of their election, with a statement of the membership, conditions, and prospects of the church they represent, the names of its licensed and ordained ministers, and such contributions as have been made for benevolent objects, which shall be appropriated only as the donors may direct.

II. This Association shall meet annually, and shall be organized as soon as the names of the representatives are enrolled, by the election of a Moderator, a Clerk, a Treasurer, and a Historian, by ballot, who shall hold offices until the next annual meeting.

III. Each church shall be entitled to a representation of three delegates, and an additional one for every fifty members in excess of one hundred, and all ordained ministers shall have seats as delegates.

IV. The Association shall be governed by such rules of order as it may from time to time adopt.

V. Any church holding the principles of the doctrines of Christ, and the order of His house, as generally held by those denominated Baptists, may connect itself with this Association at any meeting of the same.

VI The decisions of the Association shall, in all cases, except in the matter of amendments to the Constitution, be made by a majority vote, but amendments to the Constitution must be adopted by a two-thirds vote. Amendments may be adopted at any meeting of the Association.

VII. The Association reserves the inalienable right to withdraw from any church that abandons the principles of this organization.

VIII. This Association holds that the churches of Christ, though not possessed of any sovereign authority, are, nevertheless, in their government, independent of each other, and of all other ecclesiastical organizations, and accountable to no tribunal, but to Christ only, and holds that while it is the duty of all churches, in temporal matters, to be obedient to the laws of the land, in spiritual matters, they should be obedient alone to Jesus Christ their only head and law-giver.

IX. While this Association holds that each church of Christ is an independent body, as above stated, it rather regards itself as an advisory council, but will not presume to dictate for the churches, but will give counsel, which the churches may receive or reject; but the Association is of opinion that the best mode of settling differences between churches, is to take the same scriptural steps as are prescribed for the settling of difficulties between members; that the church that feels agrieved should send a statement of the cause of grievance to the sister church which gave the offence, and if it will not give Christian satisfaction, then call upon one or two sister churches to assist in a settlement, and if the offending church will not listen then, then report the same to this body which will not pay any attention to such complaints unless the above course of procedure has been complied with.

X. This Association will not admit, or receive, any church into membership in the union, that is known to be in disorder, or composed of members excluded from another church of the same order of this Association.

XI. Any church in good standing in this Association shall at any time be allowed the privilege of withdrawing from the same by letter.

XII. This Association may correspond and form a brotherly union with any Baptist organization holding similar views of doctrines and duty, with those held by this body.

XIII. This Association may appoint as many boards, or committees, as may be necessary for carrying on the business and accomplishing the objects of its organization. These, when so appointed, shall make reports at the times appointed by the Association.

XIV. The minutes shall be read and corrected, if necessary, in the morning of each day of the session, and at the close of the last day.

XV. As the business of the Association must be finished before its adjournment, no member shall be allowed to depart from any of its sessions without leave.

XVI. The objects of the Association shall be the circulation of the Scriptures in destitute places, the encouragement and aid of Foreign, Home, Conventional, and Associational Missions, Education, Sunday schools, and Temperance.

XVII. The Association shall keep a book in which this Constitution, and a minute of each session shall be recorded, which book shall be present at every meeting of the Association.

Rules of Order.

1. The annual meetings of the Association shall open by singing and prayer, at half-past ten o'clock, on the Thursday before the first Lord's day in October in each year. At this hour the Moderator, or in his absence the Clerk, shall call the members to order, when the certificates will be presented, and the names of the members enrolled. This body will then be organized by the election of officers, and thus organized, attend upon the introductory discourse, at the close of which the Association will take recess or proceed to business.

2. The order of business is to open the door—1. For membership. 2. For correspondence. 3. For any business coming up regularly.

3. The Association shall on each day open and close with prayer by the Moderator, or a brother, at his request. The title of "Brother" shall be used in all the meetings of this body.

4. The Moderator shall preside in the meetings of the body, keep and decide questions of order, subject to appeal from members.

5. Questions shall be decided by "aye" or "no;" doubtful cases by the rising of the members to their feet until they are counted.

6. The Moderator shall appoint all committees, except those ordered by ballot.

7. In all cases by ballot, the Moderator may vote; in other cases he may not, unless the body be equally divided, or unless his vote, if given to the minority, will make the division equal, and in that case the question shall be lost.

8. A member may, on motion, submit any subject to the consideration of the Association that relates to its design or objects, and if seconded, it shall receive due consideration, except it be withdrawn by the mover with the consent of the body.

9. If two or more members shall rise to speak at the same time, the Moderator shall decide the priority of right.

10. If a member shall violate any of these rules, any member may, but the Moderator shall, call him to order.

11. No member shall speak on the same subject oftener than twice, without leave of the Association, except to explain.

12. A member, in making a motion, speaking, or in debate, shall rise and address the Moderator respectfully.

13. When a motion is made and seconded, it shall be stated by the Moderator before debate.

14. When the Moderator is putting the question, or addressing the body, no member shall walk out of or across the house, nor, when a member is speaking, enter into private conversation, or pass between the speaker and the Moderator, but all are required to pay strict attention.

15. No member shall leave the house without leave of absence from the Moderator.

16. When a question is under debate, no motion will be received, except to amend; to postpone to a given day or indefinitely; to lay on the table, or to adjourn, which is always in order, and decided without debate.

17. One member only shall speak at a time, who shall not be interrupted, unless he depart from the subject under consideration, use words of personal reflection, or is called to order.

18. The Clerk shall keep a fair record of the proceedings of each meeting, prepare them for the press, keep a regular file of them, and bring or send it to each meeting, and on going out of office, put it in the hands of his successor.

19. The Treasurer shall receive and have charge of all monies and specialties of the Association; pay out money to order of the body only, and at each meeting present a statement of his department.

20. The Association shall appoint at each meeting two of her ministering brethren, with alternates—one to preach the Introductory Sermon on the first day of the next meeting, directly after the organization of the body, and the other to preach the Associational Sermon on the Lord's day, directly after the morning sermon. At the close of the Association sermon, a collection will be taken up from the audience in support of one or more of the benevolent objects sustained by the Association.

21. The Association may have an address to the Churches prepared and published with the Minutes whenever she may think proper.

STATISTICS OF THE CHURCHES FOR 1887.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	CLERKS.	POST OFFICES.	Baptized	Rec. by Letter	Excluded	Restored	Dismissed	Died	Males	Females	Membership	Minute Fund	Home Missions	Foreign Mis'ns	Value church property
Mountain Page	J. R. Rhodes	A. T. Hart			4			7		150	173	323	$1 40		$5 00	
Oak Grove	J. R. Rhodes	T. E. Waters	Flat Rock	7	8	2		14	2	43	53	96	1 50	$1 50	5 00	
New Liberty	J. M Allen	T. F. Coleman	Bellevue							59	101	160	50	60	60	
Double Springs	J. T. Singleton	W. C. Ward	Green River		4		3	10		42	65	107	1 15		5 00	
Green Mountain	J. L. Brookshier	J. F. W. Thomas	Fruitland	38	8	1		4	2	41	83	124	1 40	3 75	3 75	
Shaws Creek	R. M. Gilbert	J. McCrary	Hendersonville	3	1	5	3	9	3	54	75	129		3 00		
Oak Grove (S. C.)	A. D. Bowers	G. W. Pliney	Landrum's	4		1		11	1	52	58	110	1 00			
Friendship	James Blythe	J. L. Thompson	Saluda	17	7		5	8	2	52	85	133	1 25		2 00	$150 00
Green River	J. R. Rhodes	T. T. Morris	Green River	6		1		7	1	33	47	80	85			
Refuge	James Blythe	P. T. Ward	Blue Ridge			1	3	23	1	105	160	275	1 05		6 02	
Golden Hill	J. A. Staton	D. A. Wilson	Blue Ridge	12	11	3	1	4	1	26	37	63				
North River	T. E. Hudson	John J. Odum	Marietta	6	2	1		7		20	26	46	95			
Pleasant Hill																
Mt. Olivet	J. W. Anderson	D. Osteen	Flat Rock		2	1	1	2	1	37	37	74	1 00			150 00
Cross Plains	Wm. Turner	Wm. Fore	Lima													
Mountain Hill	J. Rhodes	J. Pruitt	Merrittsville	12	7	8	5	7	5			110	1 00			
South River	E. J. Williams															
Beulah	D. B. Nelson	H. D. Drake	Bowman's Bluff	5	8	3	5	8	1	89	137	226	1 50	5 00	1 25	
Hooper's Creek	J. L. Brookshier	J.N. Youngblood	Flat Rock	18	1				2	28	30	58	1 50	2 50	2 50	400 00
Mt. Gilead	S. C. Owen	J. S. Rhodes	Gypsy	1	8	11		2	1	34	48	82	60		2 50	550 00
Middle Fork	R. Huggins	W. F. Huntley	Bat Cave									68	50			
Mud Creek	J. L. Brookshier	J. H. Beck	Flat Rock	15	22	1	2		3	31	51	82	1 05	6 05	4 15	500 00
Salem	D. B. Nelson	J. T. Sales	Flat Rock	3	3		3	7	3	35	56	81	1 50	2 00	7 00	1000 00
Hendersonville	J. B. Boone	G. C. Briggs	Hendersonville		6		1	13		50	70	120	2 00	12 00	21 50	
Mills River	S. C. Owen	M.L. Underwood	Pink Bed		17	5	1	6		31	40	80	50	2 50	5 00	500 00
Crab Creek	J. W. Anderson	J. L. Evans	Delmont	23	3	1		1	1	68	92	160	25			300 00
Bear Wallow	W. J. Wilkie		Pump	16	2		2	46		35	53	88	75	20	20	
Cross Roads	J. R. Rhodes	W. A. Fortune	Green River	1	1			1		27	23	50	1 00			
Mt. Moriah	James Blythe	J. A. Merrell	Edneyville		4	5				92	76	168	1 80	1 50	2 50	150 00
Cedar Spring	J. W. Anderson	J. C. Capps	Green River		5		1	7	1	55	54	109	1 00			
Liberty	R. M. Gilbert		Edneyville	8	2	1		2	1	21	34	55	1 00			250 00
Ebenezer	W. J. Wilkie	J. J. Blythe	Hendersonville	1	5			4	1	39	57	96	1 00	2 50		300 00
Pleasant Grove, 1	L. C. Hamilton	J. B. Sentell	Bowman's Bluff		7		1	1	1			76				
Pleasant Grove, 2	E. J. Morgan	M. C. Whitaker	Pink Bed		3	2		19	1	11	12	23	65		5 00	
French Broad		J. C. Morgan	Hendersonville			1	1	2	3	13	27	40		2 50	2 50	
Boilston		A. C. Rickman		8	7	3		1	1	53	74	127	60			300 00
Total				194	159	57	38	233	39	1576	2077	3563				

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NAMES AND POSTOFFICES OF ORDAINED MINISTERS.

Wm. B. Johnson, Grandeur, S. C.; J. L. Brookshier, W. J. Wilkie, Fruitland, N. C.; E. R. Nelson, Flat Rock, N. C.; G. W. Mace, J. M. Bryan, L. C. Hamilton, Bowman's Bluff, N. C.; D. B. Nelson, Horse Shoe, N. C.; W. M. Allen, Fletchers, N. C.; James Blythe, J. R. Rhodes, Saluda, N. C.; J. W. Anderson, Delmont, N. C.; J. B. Boone, G. S. Jones, G. W. Johnson, Hendersonville; J. A. Staton, W. S. Case, John Liverett, Blue Ridge, N. C.; R. M. Gilbert, Edneyville, N. C.; J. R. Heatherly, C. M. Phillips, M. D. Corn, Green River, N. C.

LICENTIATES.

H. G. Patton, P. Kuykendall, Green River; D. W. Revis, J. C. Capps, Splendor; M. M. Staton, Saluda; T. J. Waters, Upward; J. W. Justice, T. Brock, J. G. Stepp, Wm. Jones, J. L. Hyder, Blue Ridge; J. W. McCarson, Hendersonville; J. J. Gray, Bowman's Bluff; T. J. Ballard, Gypsy; J. J. Allen, Pink Bed; T. Gaffney, Saluda.

The next session of this Association will be held at Friendship church, two miles east of Saluda, Polk county, N. C., on Thursday before the first Lord's day in September, 1889, at 10:30 a. m.

Proceedings.

BEULAH CHURCH, HENDERSON COUNTY, N. C., }
THURSDAY, October 11, 1888. }

THE CAROLINA BAPTIST ASSOCIATION convened with the Beulah Baptist church. The former moderator being absent, the clerk called the body to order, read the 109th Psalm, and the body engaged in singing the hymn: "I love thy kingdom, Lord." The body was led in prayer by Elder D. B. Nelson.

The clerk then appointed J. S. Rhodes and Joshua Pruitt reading clerks, and letters were read from the several churches, and names of the delegates enrolled.

J. S. Rhodes and J. B. Freeman were appointed to act as tellers for the election of officers. The body then proceeded to ballot. During the count by the tellers the body was led in prayer by Elder J. W. Middleton. The election resulted as follows: D. B. Nelson, Moderator; Joshua Pruitt, Clerk; Z. V. Brevard, Treasurer; D. B. Nelson, Historian.

On motion, the introductory sermon was dispensed with until to-morrow morning 10:30 o'clock. Then opened the door of the Association for the reception of churches. Riverside, a newly constituted church, presented a letter and was received, and her delegates welcomed to seats.

The moderator appointed the committee on preaching, consisting of Z. V. Brevard and James Gray, with the deacons of Beulah church. The committee reported that Elder J. L. Brookshier preach to-night.

On motion the body will meet to-morrow morning and spend 30 minutes in devotional exercises. On motion, adjourned till 9:30 a. m. to-morrow.

SECOND DAY.

FRIDAY MORNING, October 12, 1888.

The association met according to adjournment. Sang the hymn: "We'll work till Jesus comes," and the body joined in prayer, led by Elder James Blythe.

Resumed the regular business of the Association. Minutes

of yesterday's proceedings read and adopted. Called the roll of delegates and marked absentees:

Double Springs—Elder Wm. B. Johnson, A. C. Robertson,* W. C. Ward,* L. B. Johnson.

Green Mountain—Elder J. L. Brookshier, J. A. Garren*, J. B. Freeman, Z. V. Brevard.

Shaw's Creek—Joseph McCrary, T. B. Anders,* W. R. Shipman.

Green River—J. B. F. Pace, G. C. Beddingfield, N. W. Corn.

Pleasant Hill—Elder E. R. Nelson, Elisha Mince, R. T. Drake, O. N. Howard.

Mountain Hill—E. M. Pruitt,* C. D. Lindsey, Joshua Pruitt.

Beulah—Elders J. M. Bryan, G. W. Mace, and L. C. Hamilton, R. F. Orr, H. D. Drake, W. A. Morris, J. A. Middleton, C. S. Morris.

Riverside—Elder D. B. Nelson, M. B. Burrell, J. E. Dalton.

Mud Creek—P. M. Jones, L. B. C. Brookshier, J. S. Heffner.

Hooper's Creek—James Garren, J. P. Wilkie,* V. B. Russel,* J. E. Garren.*

French Broad—Richard Taylor,* J. Calhoun Morgan, Wm. Bowen.*

Mount Gilead—J. L. Wolf, J. S. Rhodes, P. I. Taylor, J. H. Jackson.*

Pleasant Grove (No. 1)—James Gray, J. C. Orr, J. G. Laurence,* M. L. Scott.

Salem—Elder W. M. Allen,* R. T. Tow, John Suttle, J. J. Allen.

Middle Fork—J. W. Wilson,* W. S. Grant, W. V. Wilson.

Ebenezer—J. H. Fletcher,* Joseph Holbert, T. J. Shipman,* J. J. Blythe.

Cross Roads—H. C. Ward, P. Kuykendall, D. A. Kuykendall.

Mount Olivet—H. C. Ward,* Clark Blackwell, A. Barbrey.

Pleasant Grove (No. 2)—T. J. Allen, W. R. Whitaker.

Mills River—John Rickman, Philip Allen, M. D. Barnett.

Bear Wallow—L. H. Freeman, W. S. Freeman,* F. M. Freeman, W. L. Huntley.

Liberty—T. A. Rhodes, J. W. Wilson, M. P. Case.

Refuge—Joseph Taylor, T. F. Pace, Reuben Brock, S. J. Justice, P. T. Ward.

Saluda—Elder James Blythe, J. S. Johnson,* J. I. Davis, T. B. Gaffney.*

Cedar Springs—Perry McDowell, A. M. Capps, W. B. Redden.*

Boilston—A. C. McKinna, J. M. Banning, F. M. Nicholson.

Oak Grove—C. A. Hill, H. G. Patton, L. L. Tabor.

Crab Creek—J. L. Evans, W. C. Raines, Elijah Osteen, J. B. Patterson, J. J. Osteen, Samuel Sentell, Elder J. W. Anderson.

Mountain Page—Elder J. R. Rhodes, P. J. Hart, A. T. Hart, J. T. Staton, W. F. Davis, A. F. Pace.

Friendship—G. W. Rhodes, M. V. Edward, Joseph Johnson.

Hendersonville—N. Buckner, James Banning, J. Williams, J. A. Gallamore, Elder J. B. Boone.

Mountain Valley—A. E. Jones, Joseph Newman.

Mount Moriah—Not represented.

South River—Granted a letter of dismission.

Those marked thus * were absent.

The churches which were not present yesterday were called, and letters were presented by Ebenezer, Cross Roads, Boilston, Oak Grove, Crab Creek, Mountain Page, and Friendship.

The door of the association was then opened for the reception of new churches, and Mountain Valley, a newly constituted church, presented a letter, was received, and her delegates welcomed to seats in the body.

Called for correspondents, and received Elder M. V. Macomson, of the Catawba association, and Elder J. W. Middleton, of North Greenville association.

The following committees were then appointed:

On Finance—Z. V. Brevard, H. D. Drake and J. L. Evans.

Revision of the Constitution—J. B. Freeman, J. R. Rhodes, A. C. McKinna.

Obituaries—J. S. Rhodes, J. A. Staton, Joseph McCrary.

Religious Periodicals—J. J. Blythe, N. W. Corn, P. M. Jones.

On Temperance—J. L. Brookshier, W. B. Johnson, C. A. Hill.

Church Letters—L. H. Freeman, A. E. Jones, J. B. F. Pace.

State of Religion—N. Buckner, J. W. Middleton, W. S. Grant.

Union Meetings—James Blythe, C. S. Morris, G. W. Rhodes, James Garren.

Time and Place—J. T. Staton, H. G. Patton, John Suttle.

Committee added to Sunday-school committee, by motion: J. M. Bryan, J. W. Anderson.

The time having arrived for the regular order of business, the congregation sang: "Beautiful Land." Prayer by Elder J. B. Boone. The Introductory sermon was then preached by the appointee, Elder W. B. Johnson, from Psalms 109:1: "Behold how good and pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity." Then the association joined in prayer, led by Elder J. E. Carter.

Letters were read from Mount Olivet, Pleasant Grove, Mills River, Bear Wallow, Liberty and Refuge.

On motion received Elder J. E. Carter from New Found association, and also as representative of the *Biblical Recorder*. Also received brother John Justice as a visitor.

Renewed the invitation for new churches, and Saluda, a

newly constituted church, presented a letter, was received, and her delegates welcomed to seats.

On motion, appointed a committee to appoint ministers to preach next introductory and missionary sermons. Committee: W. B. Johnson, J. I. Davis, and L. B. C. Brookshier.

Adjourned for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Met according to adjournment. Resumed business. Called for reports of committees.

On motion, after the reading of the report on Education, it was set for 2:30 o'clock p. m.

The report on Home Missions was read. Remarks by Elders W. B. Johnson, J. L. Brookshier, J. E. Carter, J. B. Boone, and G. W. Mace. At this point, by request of Elder G. W. Mace, prayer was offered in behalf of the old French Broad church, led by Elder James Blythe. Then, on motion, the report on Home Missions was adopted. (See report.)

Then the letter, with delegates, from Cedar Springs, was received, after which took up the report on education. Remarks by Elder J. B. Boone.

At this point a subscription was taken for Judson College as follows, (paid): John H. Justice, $1.00; J. S. Rhodes, $2.00; E. Osteen, 25 cents; J. B. Freeman, $1.00; P. J. Hart, $1.00; W. B. Johnson, $1.00; H. W. Vernon, 50 cents; Z. V. Brevard, $1.00; T. J. Brock, $1.00; S. J. Justice, $1.00; J. B. F. Pace, $1.00; O. V. F. Blythe, 50 cents; B. B. Middleton, 50 cents; J. N. Suttle, 25 cents; F. M. Nicholson, 25 cents. Total, $12.25. Collected from congregation, $1.36. Total, $13.61.

Then, on motion, the report on Education was received and adopted. (See report.)

The committee on preaching report that Elder J. A. Staton will preach to-night, Elder M. V. Macomson to-morrow at 11 o'clock a. m.

Sang the hymn, "Jesus, lover of my soul." Prayer by Elder M. V. Macomson. Adjourned till 9:30 a. m. to-morrow, at which time will meet and spend half hour in devotional exercises, to be conducted by Elder E. R. Nelson.

THIRD DAY.

SATURDAY MORNING, October 13, 1888.

Met according to adjournment. Spent 30 minutes in devotional services, conducted by Elder E. R. Nelson. Sang the

hymn, "Oh, home, sweet home." Prayer by Elder E. R. Nelson.

Resumed the regular business of the association. Called the roll of delegates. Read the minutes of yesterday's proceedings, which, on motion, were adopted.

On motion, the order of business of last session was adopted for this session. Called for reports of committees.

On motion, all speeches were limited to ten minutes, except the chairmen of committees, who were allowed fifteen minutes.

Brother T. H. Plemmons was, by motion, invited to a seat in the body.

On motion, it was decided that the collection on to-morrow be applied to associational missions.

The committee on obituaries reported, which, on motion, was adopted.

The report of the committee on religious periodicals was read and amended so as to recommend the *Biblical Recorder*. Remarks by Elders J. E. Carter, J. B. Boone, D. B. Nelson, G. W. Mace, and J. B. Freeman.

Eleven o'clock, the hour for preaching having arrived, Elder M. V. Macomson preached to the congregation. Prayer by Elder J. A. Staton. At the close of the sermon the congregation was led in prayer by Elder J. R. Rhodes. A collection was taken for Elder Macomson, amounting to $10.03.

On motion, adjourned for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Met according to adjournment, and resumed the regular order of business. Took up the report on the amendment of the report on periodicals, which, by motion, was tabled.

On motion, brother G. W. Rhodes was granted a leave of absence.

On motion, Elders A. W. Beck and G. W. Brooks, of Transylvania association, were received as corresponding messengers.

On motion, took up the report on periodicals as amended. Addresses by Elders J. E. Carter, J. B. Boone, J. L. Brookshier, brother John Williams, and the moderator. Report adopted.

The report of the committee on Sunday Schools was read, which, on motion, was laid over until 10 a. m. to-morrow, at which time there will be a Sunday-school mass-meeting.

The report of the committee on Temperance was read. Addresses by Elder J. L. Brookshier, J. B. Freeman, and L. B. Johnson. Report adopted.

The report of the committee on nominations was read, and on motion, was adopted.

The report of the committee on State of Religion was read and adopted.

Report of committee on Time and Place of next association was read and adopted.

Then, on motion, the time of meeting of this association was changed to Thursday before the first Sunday in September, 1889 (instead of October).

The report of the committee on Finance was read and, on motion, adopted.

Addresses were made for aid in behalf of the new church at Saluda, by Elder James Blythe, brother John Williams, Elder J. B. Boone, J. S. Rhodes, after which a subscription was taken for the same, as follows: P. M. Jones, $1.00; R. I. Taylor, $1.00; A. E. Jones, $1.00; Joseph McCrary, $1.00; Z. V. Brevard, $1.00; M. F. Nichols, $1.00; C. S. Morris, $1.00; P. T. Ward, $1.00; J. W. C. Blythe, $1.00; J. R. Rhodes, $1.00; Elijah Osteen, $1.00, paid; J. B. Boone, $5.00; J. A. Staton, $1.00; James Ward, $1.00, paid; J. S. Rhodes, $1.00. Total, $19.00.

The report of the former treasurer, G. B. Hudson, was read and adopted.

Report of the Historian was read, and by motion adopted.

The report of the committee to appoint ministers to preach next introductory and missionary sermons was read, and on motion adopted.

A resolution was introduced by Joshua Pruitt, which, on motion, was adopted as follows:

RESOLVED, That the thanks and heartfelt sympathies of this association are due, and are hereby tendered, the good sisters and brethren, and people of this vicinity, for the kind and hospitable manner in which they have entertained us during the present session.

Then, on motion, the Clerk was allowed $5.00 out of the minute fund for his services, the remainder of the money to be applied to the printing and distribution of the minutes.

A subscription for Elder G. W. Mace, in favor of the old French Broad church, amounting to $5.25, was taken, as follows: T. J. Brock, 25 cents; Elijah Osteen, 25 cents; J. H. Plemmons, 25 cents; O. V. F. Blythe, 25 cents; J. J. Blythe, 25 cents; J. Williams, $2.00; P. J. Hart, 25 cents, paid; T. A. Hart, 10 cents, paid; F. M. Nichols, 10 cents, paid; Z. V. Brevard, 25 cents, paid; M. Beck, 25 cents, paid; C. A. Hill, 50 cents, paid; P. B. Ward, 25 cents, paid; N. R. Welch, 25 cents, paid; J. C. Blythe, 10 cents, paid.

On motion, a letter of dismission was granted to South River church.

The committee on preaching report that Elder M. V. Macomson will preach to-night, followed by Elder J. R. Rhodes.

On motion, appointed correspondents as follows:

To the Transylvania county Association—J. W. Anderson, E. R. Nelson, T. H. Plemmons, and Joseph Holbert.

To Green River Association—J. R. Rhodes, A. E. Jones, J. A. Staton, M. B. Burrel.

To New Found Association—G. W. Mace, D. B. Nelson.

To Buncombe County Association—J. L. Brookshier, T. J. Brock.

To North Greenville Association—W. B. Johnson, Joshua Pruitt, L. B. Johnson.

On motion, adjourned until 9:30 a. m. to-morrow, at which time the association will spend half hour in devotional exercises, to be conducted by brother Vernon.

FOURTH DAY.

SUNDAY MORNING, October 14, 1888.

The association met according to adjournment, and spent 30 minutes in devotional exercises, conducted by brother Vernon. Prayer by J. W. Middleton. Sang the hymn, "Oh, home, sweet home." Prayer by J. W. Anderson. Sang "Beautiful Land," and joined in prayer, led by Elder James McCall.

The moderator *pro tem.*, Elder James Blythe, called the body to order according to the regular order of business yesterday. The report of the committee on Sunday-schools was read, and after remarks by Elder J. E. Carter, J. B. Freeman, and L. B. Johnson, adopted.

Adjourned in order to hear the missionary sermon, which was preached by the appointee, Elder James Blythe, to a large and attentive audience. Text: Matthew 24:14. After which a collection was taken, amounting to $13.30. The stand was occupied in the afternoon by A. W. Beck, who preached from Matthew 2:13.

On motion, adjourned to meet with Friendship church, on Thursday before the first Sunday in September, 1889, at 10:30 o'clock a. m.

D. B. NELSON,
Moderator.

JOSHUA PRUITT,
Clerk.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES:

REPORT ON ARRANGEMENTS.

Meet at 9:30 a. m.; spend 30 minutes in devotional exercises; adjourn at 11 o'clock for sermon; recess for dinner; resume labor at 1:30 p. m., and adjourn at pleasure. Call for reports of committees, viz: Arrangements; Preaching one Sermon each day; Time and Place; Annual Sermons; Church Letters; State of Religion; Temperance; Home Missions; Education; Foreign Missions; Religious Periodicals; Sunday-schools; Obituaries; Revision of the Constitution; Nominations; Union Meetings; Appoint Correspondents and elect Historian; Motions and Resolutions.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

Temperance is one of the great principles of the Christian religion. Whenever and wherever God's ministers preach the word, they, as did Paul, should preach righteousness, temperance, and judgments to come. We are proud to say, at this time, that there are but few pastors who are not working up their churches to meet this great question, prohibition, that is now before the people, yet we are sorry to say that there are still some pastors that fail to cry aloud against this great evil, and the world sees it, and the people talk about it. While, in 1884, St. John, the Prohibition candidate, received one hundred and fifty thousand votes, we believe that Fisk, the present candidate, will receive one million in 1888, and we believe that in 1892 the prayers of God's people will be answered, and the people will be freed from the great curse of intoxicating drink, and we also believe that the time is just dawning when Christians will vote as they pray.

Respectfully submitted,
J. L. BROOKSHIER, Chairman.

REPORT ON OBITUARIES.

Your committee report, that while we have been so wonderfully blessed the past associational year, and that the Spirit of the Lord has been manifested among us as a denomination, that we have many reasons to thank God for his goodness and unbounding mercies, yet it is a lamentable fact that the strong hand of death is abroad in the land. Thirty-two of our members, who were with us last year, are now numbered with the saints who have gone before.

Respectfully submitted, J. R. RHODES, Chairman.

REPORT ON NOMINATIONS.

Your committee on Nominations submit the following names for Associational Board: D. B. Nelson, J. L. Brookshier, L. B. Johnson, L. W. Anderson. Sunday-school Board: J. B. Freeman, Z. V. Brevard, J. C. Morgan, W. B. Johnson, J. S. Sales, J. A. Staton.

Respectfully submitted, R. T. TOW, Chairman.

REPORT ON TIME AND PLACE.

Your committee on Time and Place of next meeting, submit the following: The next association will convene with Friendship church, two miles east of Saluda, Polk county, N. C., on Thursday before the first Lord's day in September, 1889, at 10:30 a. m.

J. T. STATON, Chairman.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Received from the churches the following amounts:

For Home Missions	$ 6 85
For Foreign Missions	27 07
For Associational Missions	12 60
For Sunday-school Missions	6 60
From committee on Finance	32 35
Error, in favor of Treasurer	25
Total	$85 72

Disbursed as follows:

Paid J. B. Freeman, Home Missions	$ 7 10
" " " Foreign Missions	27 07
" " " Sunday-school Missions	6 60
" " " Associational Missions	12 60
" Clerk for Minutes, and salary	32 35
Total	$85 72

Respectfully submitted, G. B. HUDSON, Treasurer.

REPORT ON INTRODUCTORY AND MISSIONARY SERMONS.

Your committee appoint to preach the next Introductary Sermon: J. L. Brookshier; alternate, J. R. Rhodes. To preach the Missionary Sermon, J. W. Anderson; alternate, J. A. Staton.

Respectfully submitted, W. B. JOHNSON, Chairman.

REPORT ON UNION MEETINGS.

Your committee report that the churches east of the State road shall constitute the first district, and those west of the State road the second district. We recommend that a Union be held in the first district, at Refuge church, commencing on Friday before the fifth Sunday in December next, and that this Union meeting appoint the next meetings, and that the next meeting in the second district be held with the Green River church, commencing on Friday before the fifth Sunday in December next. We also recommend that a committee be appointed in the first district to get up a programme for the meeting at Refuge. Committee: P. T. Ward, S. J. Justice, and J. A. Staton. The committee to get up programme for second district, at Green River: N. W. Corn, J. B. F. Pace, J. W. Anderson.

Respectfully submitted,
JAMES BLYTHE, Chairman.

REPORT ON FINANCE.

Your committee on Finance beg leave to submit the following: Sent up by the churches for printing the Minutes, $32.69. Friendship church, for Foreign Missions, $3.00. Total, $35.69. (For amount sent by each church, see statistical table.)

Z. V. BREVARD, Chairman.

REPORT ON RELIGIOUS PERIODICALS.

Your committee have no means of ascertaining how many families in our bounds are reading religious newspapers, but we fear the number is small, yet every family should take at least one religious weekly. This is an age of periodical reading, and next to the pulpit the newspaper is the great educator. We recommend that a Baptist

religious weekly be established within the bounds of the Western Convention, and we are of opinion that such a paper, conducted by a judicious editor, at a reasonable price, would be supported by our people. We also recommend the "Biblical Recorder," published at Raleigh, N. C., as a good paper. Respectfully submitted,

J. J. BLYTHE, Chairman.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

There are some encouraging features to be observed in the awakening interest among our people on the general subject of education. Some of our citizens show a growing desire for the liberal culture of their children, and many of our young women, and young men, are becoming deeply concerned for education. We recognize this with pleasure, but we have to deplore that there is still a great want of interest on this subject among our people generally. We are fortunate in having located in our midst a College which acts as a great stimulus to the great subject of education. We ought to show our appreciation of this institution by giving to it our support. And we recommend Judson College to the liberal support and patronage of this association. Respectfully submitted,

J. B. BOONE, Chairman.

REPORT ON STATE OF RELIGION.

Your committee submit the following: If we are to judge from the amount of work done, and the number of conversions in the bounds of our association, the state of religion in the past year does not come up to that of the year before. If we judge by the number of new churches organized in our bounds, we are ahead of last year. While we would not discourage our brethren of the churches, yet we are inclined to think there is room to do more than we have in the past, and hope all will take courage, and press forward. We heartily recommend a weekly prayer meeting in every church in our bounds, and the giving of more of our means for the carrying on of every good work as a means of raising the standard of religion.

Respectfully submitted, J. W. MIDDLETON, Chairman.

REPORT ON SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.

We, your committee, are glad to say that all the churches in this association have Sunday-schools, with the exception of four or five, and they are nearly all Baptist. The reports of Sunday-schools in the church letters do not give the statistics correctly, but it is believed that there is at least 1,700 scholars in the bounds of this association. Many of the schools are evergreen. Nearly all the pastors are becoming enthusiastic Sunday-school workers. However, we find that some pastors take little or no interest in Sunday-schools. Twelve or fifteen years ago not one half of the churches had Sunday-schools. We have made great gains; the good work is progressing; hundreds of little missionaries are being educated by the Sunday-school for the great work of evangelizing the nations. We have now over 750,000 teachers, and more than 6,000,000 scholars in this country. Robert Raikes organized the first Sunday-school in London in 1769, one hundred and nineteen years ago. Queen Charlotte sent for him, gave him audience, and encouraged him, and so the good work goes bravely on. Humphrey Posey was the first missionary sent out by the State Board, west of the Blue Ridge, backed by the old Philadelphia association. Then there were no Sunday-schools here—perhaps Sunday-schools had not been heard of by many of our old Baptists—but to-day behold the vast army of Sunday-school scholars, and, from the signs of the times, when we say to the watchman, tell us of the night, may we not hear the clarion notes that there is vic-

tory ahead, and we believe that God will raise up men from the little bare-footed army who will stand for Sunday-schools, temperance, and the Christian religion. Respectfully submitted,

J. B. FREEMAN, Chairman.

REPORT ON CHURCH LETTERS.

As the statistical table includes each item contained in the report of the committee on Church Letters, signed by L. H. Freeman, chairman, we deem it unnecessary to print the report in the body of the minute.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

Your committee to whom was referred the subject of Home Missions, submit the following: The work of Home Missions has been greatly blessed the present year, 1888. God has crowned the labors of our missionaries with abundant success, and the churches have responded with unusual liberality to the calls of the work. The number of missionaries in the field are as follows: Arkansas, 22; Cuba, 17; District of Columbia, 1; Florida, 37; Georgia, 5; Indian Territory, 15; Louisiana, 21; Maryland, 2; Missouri, 4; Mississippi, 3; Texas, 125; Virginia, 1; Western Arkansas and Indian Territory, 15; Western North Carolina, 18; West Virginia, 1. Total missionaries, 287. Work done by the missionaries in the field: Churches and stations, 1,114; weeks of labor, 10,739; sermons preached, 33,868; prayer meetings held, 7,390; Baptisms, 4,857; received by letter, 2,639; total additions, 7,496; Sunday-schools organized, 431; teachers and pupils, 17,240; religious visits, 47,610; churches constituted, 306; houses of worship built, 64; cost of houses of worship, $54,068; pages of tracts distributed, 442,352; Bibles and Testaments, 1,779; total Sunday-school publications, 4,754,000.

Your committee is glad to say that in Western North Carolina the Baptists outnumber all other denominations. It has been said that three-fourths of the land in Western North Carolina belongs to members of Baptist churches. This country, so rich in many of the resources of wealth, so beautiful in its scenery, so healthful—the Switzerland of America, the "Land of the Sky,"—ought to be held by our Baptist people. To do this we must liberalize and elevate the masses of the people. W. B. JOHNSON, Chairman.

HISTORIAN'S REPORT.

The union of the Henderson County and the Carolina Associations, under the name of the Carolina, which took place two years ago, had a good effect in bringing the churches into closer union, and in promoting the general advancement of our cause. At our last meeting most of our churches which are located in South Carolina, obtained letters of dismission, and will unite with an association in their own State. So that now our associational limits are almost conformable to the boundary lines of Henderson county.

NEW CHURCHES.

Three new churches have been organized during the year: Mountain Valley, in the Green River cove, in Polk county; Saluda, at a station of that name on the Asheville & Spartanburg R. R.; and Riverside, near Johnson's bridge, on the French Broad. Saluda was organized on the 15th of June, with 27 members, and Riverside on the 16th of September, with 29 members. Hendersonville church is building a new house of worship. It is a handsome brick edifice, the walls and tower of which are completed. The old brick church, at the lower end of town, has been sold and taken down. It was the first church house erected in the town, and after standing 40 or 50

years, it gives place to the new building half way up town, on Academy street. Our venerable brother, David Garren, a member of Salem church, donated the lot, valued at $300.00, upon which the new church is erected, and is to be honored with a memorial Window. Several churches have enjoyed revivals. Notably Hooper's Creek, under the pastoral care of Elder J. L. Brookshier, which recently had 38 baptisms at one time. Elder G. W. Mace has labored successfully as missionary under appointment of our Mission and Sunday-school Board. He assisted in the organization of two of the new churches, organized several Sunday-schools, and has held successful protracted meetings with several feeble churches. The total number of baptisms, as reported in the letters from the churches to this meeting, is 148. Our people need stimulating upon the subject of education. Judson College is not receiving the patronage which our interests demand, but most of our churches have made commendable progress. Respectfully submitted,

D. B. NELSON, Historian.

Constitution.

WE, the members of the Baptist Church of Jesus Christ, who have, on profession of our faith in Him, been immersed, believing that the Holy Scriptures are the only standard of faith and duty for Christians, enjoining as they do zealous and continued effort in promoting the cause of our blessed Lord, do now unite in this Association under this Constitution, for the advancement of the objects therein stated.

ARTICLE 1. This Association shall be called the CAROLINA BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, and shall be composed of representatives chosen by each church in the Union, from among the number of its own members, who shall carry to each meeting of the body, certificates of their election, with a statement of the membership, conditions, and prospects of the church they represent, the names of its licensed and ordained ministers, and such contributions as have been made for benevolent objects, which shall be appropriated only as the donors may direct.

II. This Association shall meet annually, and shall be organized as soon as the names of the representatives are enrolled, by the election of a Moderator, a Clerk, a Treasurer, and a Historian, by ballot, who shall hold offices until the next annual meeting.

III. Each church shall be entitled to a representation of three delegates, and an additional one for every fifty members in excess of one hundred, and all ordained ministers shall have seats as delegates.

IV. The Association shall be governed by such rules of order as it may from time to time adopt.

V. Any church holding the principles of the doctrines of Christ, and the order of His house, as generally held by those denominated Baptists, may connect itself with this association at any meeting of the same.

VI. The decisions of the association shall, in all cases, except in the matter of amendments to the constitution, be made by a majority vote, but amendments to the constitution must be adopted by a two-thirds vote. Amendments may be adopted at any meeting of the association.

VII. The association reserves the inalienable right to withdraw from any church that abandons the principles of this organization.

VIII. This association holds that the churches of Christ, though not possessed of any sovereign authority, are, nevertheless, in their government, independent of each other, and of all other ecclesiastical organizations, and accountable to no tribunal, but to Christ only, and holds that while it is the duty of all churches, in temporal matters, to be obedient to the laws of the land, in spiritual matters, they should be obedient alone to Jesus Christ, their only head and lawgiver.

IX. While this association holds that each church of Christ is an independent body, as above stated, it rather regards itself as an advisory council, but will not presume to dictate for the churches, but will give counsel, which the churches may recdive or reject; but the association is of opinion that the best mode of settling differences between churches, is to take the same scriptural steps as are prescribed for the settling of difficulties between members; that the church that feels agrieved should send a statement of the cause of grievance to the sister church which gave the offence, and if it will not give Christian satisfaction, then call upon one or two sister churches to assist in a settlement, and if the offending church will not listen then, then report the same to this body, which will not pay any attention to such complaints unless the above course of procedure has been complied with.

X. This association will not admit, or receive, any church into membership in the union, that is known to be in disorder, or composed of members excluded from another church of the same order of this association.

XI. Any church in good standing in this association shall at any time be allowed the privilege of withdrawing from the same by letter.

XII. This association may correspond and form a brotherly union with any Baptist organization holding similar views of doctrines and duty with those held by this body.

XIII. This association may appoint as many boards, or committees, as may be necessary for carrying on the business and accomplishing the objects of its organization. These, when so appointed, shall make reports at the times appointed by the association.

XIV. The minutes shall be read and corrected, if necessary, in the morning of each day of the session, and at the close of the last day.

XV. As the business of the association must be finished before its adjournment, no member shall be allowed to depart from any of its sessions without leave.

XVI. The objects of the association shall be the circulation of the Scriptures in destitute places, the encouragement and aid of Foreign, Home, Conventional, and Associational Missions, Education, Sunday-schools, and Temperance.

XVII. The association shall keep a book in which this Constitution, and a minute of each session, shall be recorded, which book shall be present at every meeting of the Association.

Rules of Order.

1. The annual meetings of the Association shall open by singing and prayer, at half-past ten o'clock, on the Thursday before the first Lord's day in September in each year. At this hour the Moderator, or in his absence the Clerk, shall call the members to order, when the certificates will be presented, and the names of the members enrolled. This body will then be organized by

the election of officers, and thus organized, attend upon the introductory discourse, at the close of which the Association will take recess or proceed to business.

2. The order of business is to open the door—1. For membership. 2. For correspondence. 3. For any business coming up regularly.

3. The Association shall on each day open and close with prayer by the Moderator, or a brother, at his request. The title of "brother" shall be used in all the meetings of this body.

4. The Moderator shall preside in the meetings of the body, keep and decide questions of order, subject to appeal from members.

5. Questions shall be decided by "aye" or "no;" doubtful cases by the rising of the members to their feet until they are counted.

6. The Moderator shall appoint all committees, except those ordered by ballot.

7. In all cases by ballot, the Moderator may vote; in other cases he may not, unless the body be equally divided, or unless his vote, if given to the minority, will make the division equal, and in that case the question shall be lost.

8. A member may, on motion, submit any subject to the consideration of the Association that relates to its design or objects, and if seconded, it shall receive due consideration, except it be withdrawn by the mover with the consent of the body.

9. If two or more members shall rise to speak at the same time, the Moderator shall decide the priority of right.

10. If a member shall violate any of these rules, any member may, but the Moderator shall, call him to order.

11. No member shall speak on the same subject oftener than twice, without leave of the Association, except to explain.

12. A member, in making a motion, speaking, or in debate, shall rise and address the Moderator respectfully.

13 When a motion is made and seconded, it shall be stated by the Moderator before debate.

14. When the Moderator is putting the question, or addressing the body, no member shall walk out of or across the house; nor, when a member is speaking, enter into private conversation, or pass between the speaker and the Moderator, but all are required to pay strict attention.

15. No member shall leave the house without leave of absence from the Moderator.

16. When a question is under debate, no motion will be received, except to amend; to postpone to a given day or indifinitely; to lay on the table, or to adjourn, which is always in order, and decided without debate.

17 One member only shall speak at a time, who shall not be interrupted, unless he depart from the subject under consideration, use words of personal reflection, or is called to order.

18. The Clerk shall keep a fair record of the proceedings of each meeting, prepare them for the press, keep a regular file of them, and bring or send it to each meeting, and on going out of office, put it in the hands of his successor.

19. The Treasurer shall receive and have charge of all monies and specialties of the Association; pay out money to order of the body only, and at each meeting present a statement of his department.

20. The Association shall appoint at each meeting two of her ministering brethren, with alternates—one to preach the Introductory Sermon on the first day of the next meeting, directly after the organization of the body, and the other to preach the Associational Sermon on the Lord's day, directly after the morning sermon. At the close of the Associatian sermon, a collection will be taken up from the audience in support of one or more of the benevolent objects sustained by the Association.

21. The Association may have an address to the Churches prepared and published with the Minutes whenever she may think proper.

PARTIAL STATISTICS OF THE CHURCHES FOR 1888.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	CLERKS.	POST OFFICES.	Meeting Day	Baptized	Rec. by Letter	Restored	Dismissed	Excluded	Died	Membership	Minute Fund.	Associational Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Miss'ns	Value church property.	Sunday - school Missions.	Pastors' Salary
Mountain Page	J. R. Rhodes	A. T. Hart,	Saluda	1	5			13	1	2	296	$1 80	$5 00	$1 35			$ 9 40	
Oak Grove	J. R. Rhodes	T. E. Waters	Upward	3		2		7		1	88	1 65						
Double Springs	J. T. Singleton	W. C. Ward	Splendor	4	9	1		4	1	3	114	1 15						
Green Mountain	J. L. Brookshier	J Y. W. Freeman	Fruitland			6		3	2		125	1 65			$15 00			$100 00
Shaws Creek	G. W. Mace	Joseph McCrary	Hendersonville	2	1	4	2	7	3	1	124	82	5 00					21 00
Friendship	James Blythe	T. H. Williams	Saluda	2		2	1	17	3	2	108				3 00			
Green River	J. R. Rhodes	T. T. Morris	Green River	2	1	2		5		1	80	60		1 90	3 20			
Refuge	James Blythe	P. T. Ward	Blue Ridge	1	11	15	1	5	2	2	284	1 40		5 87				60 00
Pleasant Hill	G. W. Mace	R. T. Drake	Flat Rock	3	1	1	1				69	65		50			12 09	
Mount Olivet	J. W. Anderson	D. N. Osteen	Flat Rock	4	5	3		1			81	70						20 00
Mountain Hill	J. R. Rhodes	Joshua Pruitt	Highland, S. C.	4	3		4	1	4	2	108	1 15	3 90					15 00
Beulah	B. P. Robertson	H. D. Drake	Bowman's Bluff	1				26			200	1 30						50 00
Hoopers Creek	J. L. Brookshier	J. N. Youngblo'd	Fletcher's		38	4	2	12				90						50 00
Mount Gilead	D. B. Nelson	J. S. Rhodes	Angeline		8	10	1	13		2	82	1 35	2 15				3 20	100 00
Middle Fork	Richard Hudgins	W. F. Huntly	Bear Wallow			1			2		66	50	10 00					13 00
Mud Creek	J. L. Brookshier	J. H. Beck	Hendersonville	4	1	2	1	6	6		75	1 05	7 00	2 55	2 55		2 12	50 00
Salem	D. B. Nelson	J. T. Sales	Fletchers		3	17		8		2	99	2 82	6 80	7 50	5 00	$ 50 00	9 60	100 00
Hendersonville		W. A. Smith	Hendersonville		1	3		2		1	104	1 45						
Mills River	D. B. Nelson	M. L. Underwood	Sitton	2		7	2	4		1	86	65			4 70		9 20	100 00
Crab Creek	J. W. Anderson	J. L. Evans	Delmont		1			3	1	3	154	55				300 00		
Bear Wallow	W. J. Wilkie	L. H. Freeman	Pump				1	1	1	4	79	60		10 00	10 00			
Cross Roads	J. R. Rhodes	W. A. Fortune	Green River	4	8	4					60	1 00		3 00				
Mount Moriah	(not represented)																	
Cedar Springs	J. W. Anderson	J. C. Capps	Splendor	1	5	2		8	1	1	96	65		65				
Liberty	R. M. Gilbert	Chas. Shepherd	Pump	3	14		1			1	70			7 65				
Ebenezer	W. J. Wilkie	J. J. Blythe	Hendersonville	3	4		1	1		1	95	90		1 20				50 00
Pl's'nt Grove (1)	Jas. Plemmons	M. C. Whitaker	Pink Bed	3	5	3	2		2	1	39	65			5 50		6 00	45 00
Pl's'nt Grove (2)	L. C. Hamilton	James Gray	Bowman's Bluff	4		2		2		3	65	85						13 00
French Broad	T. H. Plemmons	J. C. Morgan						9			27						4 25	16 53
Boilston	E. J. Morgan	A. C. McKinna	Boilston	2	14	3	1	8	3		134	60			1 00		8 00	50 00
Riverside	D. B. Nelson	D. B. Nelson	Horse Shoe			7					38	1 20					3 25	
Mountain Valley	James Blythe	T. E. Pace	Fish Top	3	10	6					40	1 00						
Saluda	James Blythe	J. I. Davis	Saluda			3					28	80						

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THIRTEENTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

CAROLINA BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

HELD WITH THE

FRIENDSHIP CHURCH,

Polk County, N. C.

AUGUST 29, 30, 31st, and SEPTEMBER 1st, 1889.

COMPILED BY

JOSHUA PRUITT, CLERK.

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J. B. FREEMAN,
J. A. STATON.

Next Meeting

With the Church at Salem, one mile north of Fletcher's, N. C., on Thursday before the Second Sunday in October, 1890, at 10.30, A. M.

POLK COUNTY, N. C., AUGUST 29TH, 1889.

The Carolina Baptist Association convened with the Friendship Church. In the absence of the former, Moderator the Clerk called the body to order. Sang the hymn, "Bless be the tie that binds us." Prayer by Elder James Blythe. The Clerk then appointed John Leverett and J. L. Brookshier, Reading Clerks, and letters were read from the different Churches, and the names of Delegates enrolled. The Clerk then appointed tellers for the election. L. B. Johnson and B. F. Turner, for Moderator. J. L. Brookshier and J. W. Freeman, for Clerk. J. A. Staton and W. C. Ward, for Treasurer. The election resulted as follows: W. B Johnson, Moderator. Joshua Pruitt, Clerk, and P. T. Ward, Treasurer. Then, on motion, Rev. J. C. Stowell, of the Home Mission Board, was invited to a seat in the body. Also, Rev. J. W. Oliver, of the Baptist Orphanage of North Carolina, was invited to a seat. The Association granted Rev. J. C. Stowell time to address the Association on the great important work of the Home Mission Board. On motion, granted J. W. Oliver time to address the Association to-morrow, at 10 o'clock, in behalf of the Baptist Orphanage of North Carolina. Recess 15 minutes.

Came together by singing—resumed the business of the body. On motion the rules were suspended, and the Introductory Sermon postponed until to-morrow morning. Then opened the door of the Association for Churches to unite with this body, and Barnwell, a new Church, presented a letter, was received, and the delegates welcomed to seats. Then appointed a Committee on preaching: T. J. Allen and J. J. Blythe, with the Deacons of Friendship Church. Then by motion appointed a committee to report on the Baptist Orphanage of North Carolina. Committee: J. W. Freeman, J. W. Oliver, A. B. Thompson. Committee on Preaching, report that Elder F. H. Plemmons preach to-morrow afternoon. On motion, dispensed with the Committee on Arrangements, and adopted the order of business of last year to govern this Association this session. The motion adopted. A motion to adjourn and meet to-morrow morning and spend half an hour in devotional exercises. Prayer by J. L. Brookshier. Then adjourned.

ROLL OF DELEGATES.

Mountain Page—J. R. Rhodes, J. B. Ward, R. B. Hipp, B. F. Turner, Washington Hipp. Oak Grove—John Kuykendall, C. A. Hill. Double Springs—W. B. Johnson, W. C. Ward, Franklin Levi, L. B. Johnson. Green Mountain—J. W. Freeman, J. L. Brookshier. Shaw's Creek—Joseph McCreary, P. M. McCollough, M. E. Cox. Green River—G. C. Bedingfield,

J. B. Staton, N. W. Corn. Refuge—T. F. Pace, R. Brock, P. F. Ward, J. A. Staton, John Leverett, T. J. Brock. Pleasant Hill, E. R Nelson, R F. Drake. Mount Olivet—J. C. Ward, H. P. Kuykendall. Mountain Hill—Joshua Pruitt, E. M. Pruitt, Willie Pruitt. Middle Fork—W. V. Wilson. Mud Creek—W, E. Jackson, W. F. Robinson. Hendersonville—N. Buckner, H. P. Barnett. Mills River—J. L. Whittaker, P. J. Sitton. Crab Creek—R. L. Raines, D. McCreary, J. P. Patterson. Bear Wallow—J. B. Wall, J. F. Laughter, W. S. Freeman. Ebenezer—Joseph Holbert, B E. Grant, J. J. Blythe. Cross Roads--Phillip Kuykendall, E. C. Ward, R. L. Heatherly, B. M. Kuykendall. Mount Moriah—A. E. Wilson, Hampton Hill. Pleasant Grove, No. 2--F. M. Stewart, F. J. Allen. Liberty—J. E. Cox, J. S. Ledbetter, M. P. Case. Boileston—J. P. McKinna, D. J. Banning. Saluda—James Blythe, J. I. Davis, William Laughter. Mountain Valley—D. L. Morrison, T. E. Pace. Hooper's Creek—W. J. Wilkie, J. P. Wilkie, G. W. Suttles. Friendship—W. M. Henderson, J. E. Grice, J. L. Thompson. Salem—W. J. Baldwin, J. N. Suttles, S. H. Bagwell. French Broad—W. H. Bowen, J. M. McCarson. Beulah—G. W. Mace, L. C. Hamilton, J. M. Brian, H. D. Drake, W. B. Orr, W. F. Drake. Riverside—M. H. Owensbey. Barnwell—S. L. Laughter, W. R. Barnwell, M. A. Barnwell, B. L. Laughter, W. A. Huggins. Pleasant Grove, No. 1—No Delegates—Cedar Springs,* and Mount Gillied,*—No Delegates.

Friday Morning, August 30th, 1889.

The body met according to adjournment. Spent half hour in Devotional Services, conducted by Elder J. A. Staton. Sang hymn, "Awake, and sing the song." Prayer by Brother Robinson. Then sang the hymn, "What can wash away my stain?" Prayer by E. M. Pruitt. Also prayer by W. J. Wilkie. Then resumed the business of the Association. Then the report of the Committee on Baptist Orphanage of North Carolina, was read. Addresses by J. W. Oliver, J. L. Brookshier and G. N. Mace. On motion, report adopted. A collection was then taken for the Baptist Orphanage, which amounted to $18.05. The Moderator then appointed the following Committees on Time and Place: J. B. Ward, Joseph McCreary, W. E. Jackson.

Committee on Church Letters: W. C. Ward, Willie Pruitt, T. E. Pace.

On Union Meetings: T. M. Stewart, W. M. Henderson.

Committee on Home Missions: W. J. Wilkie, G. W. Mace.

Committee on Education: T. H. Plemmons, James Blythe, J. A. Staton, Prof. R. H. Lewis.

Those marked thus* were not represented.

Committee on Foreign Missions: J. R. Rhodes, J. Leverett, J. J. Blythe.

Committee on Annual Sermon: John Kuykendall, J. E. Cox, J. L. Whittaker.

Committee on Temperance: J. P. McKinna, J. L. Brookshier, J. C. Ward.

Committee on Nominations: N. Buckner, J. B. Walls, P. Kuykendall.

Committee on Religious Periodicals: B. F. Turner, C. A. Hill, L. B. Johnson.

Committee on State of Religion: J. W. Freeman, T. J. Banning, S. C. Laughter.

Committee on Sunday Schools: T. F. Pace, N. W. Corn, P. F. Drake.

Committee on Obituaries: S. W. Freeman, R. L. Raines.

Committee on Finance: W. A. Huggins, J. J. Davis, E. M. Pruitt. Then recess five minutes.

Came together by singing. Took up the regular order of yesterday. Prayer by T. H. Plemmons, the appointee. Rev. J. L. Brookshier preached the Introductory Sermon from Text, 1st Corinthians, 8th chap. 3rd verse. Sermon pointed, instructive and animating. Recess 'till 1 o'clock, P. M.

Afternoon Session.

Met according to adjournment. Resumed the business of the Association. The Committee on preaching report Elder Adams Corn to preach at the stand this afternoon. On motion, deferred the reading of the Minutes until to-morrow morning. Again called the roll of Churches, and enrolled from Riverside, Beulah and French Broad, the delegates. Prof. R. H. Lewis of Judson College was invited to a seat in the body. The report of the Committee on the Baptist Orphanage of North Carolina, was read, and on motion adopted. The report of the Committee on Education was read. Motion to receive addresses by Prof. R. H. Lewis, T. H. Plemmons, John Justice. On motion the report was adopted.

Report on Education.

From the earliest ages the nations which have been educated have held in subjection those which were ignorant, and among educated nations those individuals that have received mental training have always controlled those who have received no training. Let us use this power for Christ. Let not the world have all the advantages. Let us help our young ministers to receive an education that will fit them at once to do more efficient service for Him who hath done so much for us. We com-

mend to the brethren and sisters of Carolina Association our College at Hendersonville—it is now well equipped with teachers, all experienced, and ready to help all who wish it, to a higher level in the educational world.

Respectfully submitted,

F. H. Plemmons.
J. A. Staton,
R. H. Lewis,
James Blythe.

Report on Nominations Adopted.

Your Committee submits the following names for Associational Board: W. B. Johnson, John Leverett, W. H. Jones, J. R. Rhodes. For Sunday School Board, J. L. Brookshier, J. B. Freeman, P. J. Hart, J. A. Staton.

Respectfully submitted,

N. Buckner,
J. B. Walls,
Philip Kuykendall.

Then on motion, Prof. R. H. Lewis was added to the Committee on Foreign Missions. Recess half an hour.

Came together by singing, and resumed the business of the Association. The Committee on Time and Place, reported—on motion adopted the report on Time and Place.

Report on Time and Place.

We, your Committee, submit the following Time: Thursday before the second Sunday in October, 1890. Place, Old Salem, three-quarters of a mile north of Fletcher's, N. C.

Respectfully,

W. J. Baldwin,
W. C. Ward,
Joseph McCreary,
W. E. Jackson.

Then the report of the Committee on Foreign Missions was read. Addresses were made by Prof. R. H. Lewis, James Blythe, W. J. Wilkie, J. L. Brookshier. On motion, the report was adopted.

Then the Committee on preaching report that W. B. Johnson preach to-night at early candle light.

Report on Foreign Missions.

We, your Committee, submit the following report: Our blessed Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ said, and surely he meant it, "Go ye into all the world and preach my Gospel to every

creature." He did not limit this command to the brethren at Jerusalem, nor to the brethren of that time; it applies to all believers, and continues while the world stands. Let us as good soldiers of the Captain of our Salvation obey this order and go forward in the discharge of our Christian duties. Millions are daily and hourly dying without hope and without God. If we love our fellow man, let us do what we can for their eternal welfare—if we cannot go we can send.

Respectfully submitted,

J. R. RHODES,
JOHN LEVERETT,
J. J. BLYTHE,
R. H. LEWIS.

Then the report of the Committee on Finance was read, and on motion was adopted.

We, your Committee report, Sent up by the Churches for Minutes: Double Springs, 55; Saluda, 95; Cross Roads, $1.00; Mountain Hill, $1 00; Mount Olivet, $1.00; Hendersonville, $1.50; Refuge, $1.40; Barnwell, 60; Salem, $1.60; Mountain Valley, 85; Shaw's Creek, $1.50; Mountain Page, $1.90; Friendship, 70; Bear Wallow, 75; Mount Moriah, 60; Mills River, 50; Middle Fork, 40; Green River, 60; Oak Grove, $1.30; Crab Creek, 60; Ebenezer, $1.40; Pleasant Grove, No. 2, 40; Hooper's Creek, 80; French Broad, 75; Beulah, $1.00; Pleasant Hill, 45; Mud Creek, $1.00; River Side, 50; Cedar Springs, 50. Total, $26.10.

Respectfully submitted,

W. A. HUGGINS,
E. M. PRUITT,
J. I. DAVIS.

Then the Committee on Religious Periodicals read and postponed until to-morrow. Sang the hymn, "Jesus lover of my Soul." Prayer by W. J. Wilkie. The body to meet to-morrow morning and spend half an hour in devotional services. On motion, adjourned until 9.30, A. M. to-morrow.

SATURDAY MORNING, AUGUST 1ST, 1889.

The Association met according to adjournment. Spent half an hour in prayer and praise services. Prayer by J. R. Rhodes. Then sang the hymn, "What a friend we have in Jesus." Prayer by Elder B. W. Sims. Then the Committee on preaching report Elder W. J. Wilkie to preach at the stand at 11 o'clock. Then called the roll and marked absentees, read and confirmed the Minutes of the days previous. Then call for correspondence, and received Revs. Adam Corn and P. J. F. Osborne. Correspondents from Transylvania Association; W. B.

Case, from Buncombe County Association. Rev. B. W. Sims as visiting Minister from Kentucky. Then took up the regular order of business. Then again took up the report of the Committee on Religious Periodicals. Addresses by P. J. F. Osborne, James Blythe, J. L. Brookshier. Recess ten minutes.

Again resumed the business of the Association, and, on motion, the report on Periodicals was adopted.

REPORT ON RELIGIOUS PERIODICALS.

Your Committee have no way of ascertaining the number of families in the bounds of this Association that are reading religious papers, but we fear the number is small, and as this is a fast age, we think our Baptists should keep abreast with religious literature, therefore we recommend all the Baptists of this Association to read the Asheville Baptist, and we solicit an earnest support of it by this Association.

Respectfully submitted,

B. F. TURNER,
L. B. JOHNSON,
C. A. HILL.

Then on motion, all addresses be limited to ten minutes. Then read the report of the Committee on the state of religion. On motion the report was adopted.

REPORT ON STATE OF RELIGION.

We, your Committee, submit the following—that so far as we are able to judge that the state of religion in the bounds of this Association is good; quite a number of conversions reported during the year. Contributions are very good. But we heartily recommend that every Church in the bounds of this Association organize Missionary Societies and exert themselves to a greater extent in behalf of the different Missions than ever before.

Respectfully submitted,

JAY W. FREEMAN,
S. L. LAUGHTER.

Then the report of the Committee on Sunday Schools was read, and on motion, set for 10 o'clock Sunday morning. Then the report of the Committee on Obituaries was read, and by motion adopted.

REPORT ON OBITUARIES.

We, your Committee on Obituaries, submit the following report: We find that the Lord has visited twenty-nine of our Churches by death. We find that forty of our members have died, among whom we have lost near friends, but we hope our

loss has been their eternal gain. This seems to be a greater number than usaal, but let us all take warning from the past, and prepare to meet death.

Respectfully submitted,

M. E. Cox,
W. S. Freeman,
R. L. Raines.

The report of the Committee on Church Letters was read, and on motion adopted.

Report on Church Letters.

We, your Committee, report the following: Middle Fork, a revival, and twenty-seven additions by baptism. Crab Creek, nothing special. Mountain Page, nothing special. Mud Creek, nothing special. Ebenezer, nineteen by baptism. Bear Wallow, eighteen by baptism. Friendship, four by baptism. Boilston, nothing special. Green River, two by baptism. Pleasant Hill, nothing special. Green Mountain, twenty-nine by baptism. Barnwell, one by baptism. Hendersonville, nothing special. Oak Grove, two by baptism. Refuge, nothing special. Saluda, three by baptism. Mountain Valley, twelve by baptism. Double Springs, six awaiting baptism. Cross Roads, nothing special. Mount Olivet, nine by baptism. Liberty, nothing special. Mills River, thirty-one by baptism. Mount Moriah, nothing special. Salem, thirteen by baptism. Hooper's Creek, nothing special. Beulah, three by baptism, eleven waiting baptism. French Broad, ten by baptism. Riverside, eight by baptism. Shaw's Creek, six by baptism.

Respectfully submitted,

W. C. Ward,
T. E. Pace,
H. D. Drake.

The report of Home Missions was read, and addresses were made by P. J. F. Osborne, John Leverett, J. L. Brookshier, J. R. Rhodes, W. J. Wilkie, G. W. Mace. On motion, adjourned until 1 o'clock, P. M.

Afternoon Session.

Then on motion, invited all visiting brethren to seats. Then took up the report of the Committee on Home Missions. Address by James Blythe. On motion, the report was adopted.

Report on Home Missions.

From what we have been able to gather from the report of the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention and otherwise, there has been more accomplished in this department

of our work this year, than in any year in the past. More Missionaries sent out; more week labor; more houses built; more preaching done; more baptism and more additions to the Churches than in any previous year in the history of the Convention. God has been signally blessing us in this department of our work, we therefore should take courage and endeavor to supply all the destitution within the bounds of this Association with the Gospel. As to the work done within the bounds of this Association, we refer you to the report of our Missionary.

Respectfully submitted,

W. J. WILKIE,
G. W. MACE.

Then the report of the Committee on Temperance was read. Addresses were made by J. P. McKinna, G. W. Mace, P. J. F. Osborne, T. H. Plemmons, W. B. Case, John Leverett, L. B. Johnson, J. R. Rhodes, James Blythe, W. B. Johnson. On motion, the report was adopted.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

We, your Committee, are glad to say that we believe the cause of Temperance is progressing. Whilst it is not progressing as rapidly as we might wish, still the principles of Temperance are fastening themselves on the minds and hearts of our people in a way that is encourageing. During the last National Campaign Temperance was discussed throughout our nation in the form of Prohibition, and whilst the result was not what the friends of the measure hoped for, still it was impressed upon the public minds, a great moral question, and has made many strong friends to Temperance. Brethren, if there is any one of the great evils of the land which God has pronounced his woes upon more than any other, it is this monster evil of intemperance. We as Baptists of the Carolina Association should, in the name of God, and in justice to our fellow men, do all in our power to drive this evil from the borders of our land. King Alcohol with all his glaring vices, poisoning the blood, shattering the nerves, destroying the mind and corrupting the hearts and morals of our fellow beings, and above all, destroying the immortal soul of man, demands the earnest attention of all God's followers. Let us heed the admonition of the Apostle Peter, "be temperate in all things." And whereas, efforts have been made to suppress the liquor trafic which have failed to remove the blighting curse of intemperance, therefore we recommend all the brethren of this Association to pledge themselves not to vote for any man for office, or to fill any position within the gift of the people, who

makes, vends, or uses spirituous liquors, except for medical purposes. Respectfully submitted,

J. P. McKinna,
J. L. Brookshier,
J. C. Ward.

On motion, the report on Temperance was to be sent to the "Hendersonville Times" and "Asheville Baptist" for publication.

Report of Committee on Preaching.

J. Leverett to preach to-night. Elder P. J. F. Osborne to-morrow, at 2 o'clock, P. M. Then, on motion, appointed one from every Church on Baptist Orphanage. Mount Page, B. F. Turner—Oak Grove, C. A. Hill—Double Springs, W. C. Ward—Green Mountain, J. W. Freeman—Shaw's Creek, M. E. Cox—Friendship, T. Williams—Green River, J. B. F. Pace—Refuge, J. A. Staton—Pleasant Hill, Mrs. E M. Greer—Mt. Olivet, J. C. Ward—Mt. Hill, Joshua Pruitt—Beulah, H. D. Drake—Hooper's Creek, W. J. Wilkie—Mt. Gillead, J. S. Rhodes—Middle Fork, John Wilson—Mud Creek, C. F. Robinson—Salem, W. J. Baldwin—Hendersonville, J. Williams—Mills River, Miss Ida Edmunson—Crab Creek, J. L. Patterson—Bear Wallow, J. H. Freeman—Cross Roads, P. Kuykendall—Mt. Moriah, W. E. Jackson—Cedar Springs, J. C. Capps—Liberty, J. O. Walls—Ebenezer, J. H. Fletcher—Pleasant Grove, No. 1, C. Orr—Pleasant Grove, No. 2, F. M. Moore—French Broad, W. H. Bowen—Boilston, J. P. McKinna—Riverside, W. B. Case—Mt. Valley, Joseph Newman—Saluda, J. I. Davis—Barnwell, W. A. Huggins.

Report on Annual Sermons.

Your Committee submit the following: To preach next Introductory Sermon, J. R. Rhodes; Alternate, G. W. Mace. To preach the next Missionary Sermon, T. H. Plemmons; Alternate, W. J. Wilkie.

Respectfully submitted,

John Kuykendall,
J. E. Cox,
J. L. Whittaker.

Then on motion appointed correspondence, as follows: To the Transylvania Association, J. P. McKinna, Rev. T. H. Plemmons. Green River Association, Rev. W. J. Wilkie. Newfound Association, Rev. G. W. Mace. Buncombe Association, Rev. T. H. Plemmons, Rev. W. J. Wilkie. North Greenville Association, Revs. J. R. Rhodes, J. I. Davis, Joshua Pruitt. Then on motion, Resolution allowing Clerk $5.00 for his service;

adopted. On motion, the Clerk to print a form of Associational Letter in the Minutes. Resolved, that the Clerk be allowed $5 00 for his services, and the rest of the Minute fund be expended in printing and distributing the Minutes of the Association.

Respectfully submitted,

J. R. RHODES

Resolution of thanks, on motion adopted. Resolved, that the thanks of this Association are due, and hereby tendered, the sisters and brethren of this vicinity for their kind care and hospitalities tendered us during our sojourn among them.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN LEVERETT.

Then on motion, the collection on to-morrow be applied to paying the Missionary, G. W. Mace. Then on motion, elected W. H. Bowen, Historian of the Association.

REPORT ON UNION MEETINGS.

We, your Committee on Union Meetings, make the following report: We find that each District has had a Union Meeting every fifth Sunday during the year, with good results. We suggest that all our Churches send a full representation, and thus make the Union Meetings a success. This we think is necessary to work our Churches up to a full sense of their Christian duties. The first District to include the Churches east of the State road to Hendersonville, and then south of Edneyville road. Union Meeting in this District at Mt. Page, 5th Sunday in September, 1889. The Second District to embrace all the Churches west of the State, to Hendersonville, then south of the Crab Creek Road—and a Union Meeting in this District at Mt. Olivet, on the fifth Sunday in September 1889. Third District, east of the State road, north of Hendersonville, and north of the Edneyville road. Fourth District, west of the State road, and north of the Crab Creek road.

Respectfully submitted,

T. M. STEWART.
W. M. HENDERSON.

Then on motion to send delegates to the Western Baptist Convention, Collection for the same, amounting to $3 39. Then on motion, W. B Johnson was elected a delegate to the Western Baptist Convention. The motion adopted. Then on motion to appoint a Sunday School Lecturer in each Union District. For first District, A. B. Thompson. For second District, L. B. Johnson. For third District, Dr. J. P. McKinna. Then appointed a Committee to draft programme for the first District Union, 5th Sunday in September, 1889, B. F. Turner, J. W. Staton. For second District, the Committee to draft programme, W. C.

Ward, W. B. Johnson, J. B. F. Pace, P. Kuykendall. Then on motion, Resolved, That this Association appoint or recommend a Sunday School Convention to be held at Riverside Church, commencing on Friday before the 3rd Sunday in October, 1889, and each Church to send two or more delegates to this Convention. The motion was adopted.

Respectfully submitted,

G. W. MACE.

REPORT ON BAPTIST ORPHANAGE OF NORTH CAROLINA.

The Baptist Orphanage is the property of the Baptists of North Carolina, and has to be supported principally by them though only four years old the work has advanced rapidly, and to-day, we have four cottage homes completed, and the fifth in process of erection. In these homes we now have one hundred and ten children, who can look up to God, and thank him for this their home. The cry is coming to us from hundreds of others who have not life's necessaries—no homes, no fathers. Some of these children are from the Western Convention. The home is located west of the center of the State, and belongs equally to the Baptists west of the Ridge, and appeals to them for part of the support. Brethren, let us heed the command of our Master, and care for these destitute ones. God will bless us as a denomination, as a nation, and as individuals, as we own religion by helping the lost and helpless. The children have to do all their work, and are given a business education. We have a farm of 300 acres, which adds much to its support. We have a printing office where "*Charity and Children*" is published, a weekly eight-page paper. This is sent one year to those who give a dollar to the Orphanage. Bear in mind, this goes directly into the Orphanage Treasury. We ask that a Committee of one be appointed in each Church to work for the Orphanage, and that their names and addresses be put in the Minutes for the benefit of the Treasurer in sending out circulars, &c. Let us remember that true and undefiled religion is this, to visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction.

Respectfully submitted,

JAY W. FREEMAN,
J. W. OLIVER.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Received from the different Churches for Minutes, -	$32.69
Received from Friendship Church for Foreign Missions.	3.00
Received from former Treasurer, - - - - - - - - -	2.35
Received from Mountain Page Church for Associational Missions for 1888, - - - - - - - - - - - - -	1.50
Total received, - - - - - - - - - - - - -	$39.54

Paid Clerk for salary and printing Minutes and distributing Minutes, - - - - - - - -	$32 69
In hand of Treasurer, - - - - - - - -	$6.85

Respectfully submitted,

Z. V. BREVARD, *Treasurer.*

MISSIONARY REPORT.

DEAR BRETHREN: I labored as follows: Days service, 43; miles traveled, 27; sermons delivered, 48; addresses. 6; religious, 50; prayer meetings, 49; professions witnessed, 72; baptisms, 70; collected on the field, on salary, $12 45. I assisted in a meeting at Green Mountain Baptist, 31; also, at Ebenezer Church, Baptised 18; at Beulah, Baptisms Crab Creek. I have been preaching at Riverside, as it is in a settlement destitute of Baptist preaching, and needs cultivating with Baptist doctrine. I also preached for French Broad Church, as it had gone down to 27 members last year, and was almost a destitute Church. I have baptized 10. Those two Churches have in the last year almost doubled their membership. I have supplied Shaw's Creek Church. The Board was not able to pay me for last year's labor, and I was compelled to stay at home and see after my family, and raise money to pay my expenses. If I could have labored in the destitute parts of the Association, I think I could have accomplished much more good.

Yours in Christ, most humbly submitted,

G. W. MACE.

REPORT OF HISTORIAN.

TO THE CAROLINA ASSOCIATION: Brother Moderator—The action of your last session at Beulah Church, which excited the most interes', was the recommendation to start another Baptist paper for the West. Our last one, "*The Western N. C. Baptist*," having been consolidated with the "*Biblical Recorder*." in compliance with this request, and many others coming from other Associations; and also one from our Western North Carolina Convention, a Publishing Company was organized in the city of Asheville, and on the 20th day of March last, the first number of the "*Asheville Baptist*" was issued. It is a four-page seven column weekly paper, published in Asheville, at One Dollar and Fifty Cents per annum. With your present Historian, as Editor, the enterprise is thus far succeeding well, and seems to be meeting the demands of the denomination as a medium of communication and information. Judson College closed another successful session early in June, and President J. B. Boon, after a successful career of six years, retired and removed to Moberly, Mo., and engaged in the pastorate. The Board of Managers

have however been fortunate in securing the service of Dr. R H. Lewis, late President of Kinston College, in this State, who becomes President, and who with an able corps of assistants, will open the next Session on the 30th day of August. Rev. T. J. Brook was ordained at Refuge Church, in this County. Your Historian having removed in the early Spring from this County to Asheville, is not informed of the progress made in Associational Mission work during the year. For this item of information you are referred to the report of your Missionary. Several churches have enjoyed revivals, notably, Mills River. Elder T. H. Plemmons is the present pastor, and under his labors, assisted by Rev. E. J. Morgan and Rev. James Plemmons, a most gracious revival has been recently enjoyed. At last account there had been thirty-four professions in thirteen days. Twenty-four had been baptized and the meeting had not closed.

Fraternally yours, D. B. Nelson, *Historian.*

Then, on motion, adjourned until to morrow morning 9.30, A. M. Prayer by Elder James Blythe.

Sunday Morning, September 1st, 1889.

The Association joined in singing the hymn, "How firm a foundation ye saints of the Lord." Prayer by Elder G. W. Mace. Then took up the report on Sunday Schools. Addresses by G. W. Mace, P. J. F. Osborne, T. H. Plemmons. On motion, the report was adopted.

Report on Sunday Schools.

Your committee are glad to say that nineteen of the thirty-one churches of this Association report Sunday Schools, most of them ever green. Some churches report their Sunday School but send no statistics of the number of scholars. There are some 1,400 teachers and pupils engaged in the grand work. We are glad to note that almost all of the conversions to the Churches are reported from the number of the Sunday Schools, then proving that the Sunday School is nothing less than the Church at work. Your Committee are pained to note the small number of church members engaged in the Sunday School work. Brethren, this should not be. Christ says to us, take up the Cross and follow Him, He being our model Sunday School Teacher. We think this Association should have one Sunday School Missionary, to work at least half his time in the bounds of the Association. To this end we ask your consideration. The Lord is doing wonderful things through the Sunday School whereof we are glad. Let us renew our efforts and trust God for greater results. Respectfully submitted,

R. F. Drake,
T. F. Pace,
N. W. Corn.

The congregation engaged in singing, and the delegates gave each other the parting hand. Prayer by Elder James Blythe. On motion, adjourned to meet with the Salem Church, one mile north of Fletcher's, N. C., on Thursday before the second Sunday in October, 1890. Then repaired to the stand. The Missionary Sermon was preached by the Alternate. J. A. Staton. Text: Matthew 24th chap. 14th verse. Sermon, pointed, instructive, and edifying. A collection was taken up, amounting to $6.06. The stand was occupied in the afternoon by P. J. F. Osborne.

W. B. JOHNSON, *Moderator.*

JOSHUA PRUITT, *Clerk.*

NAMES OF ORDAINED MINISTERS.

Richard Higgins,	Bat Cave Post Office,	N.. C.
W. H. Jones,	Upwards do.	"
F. C. Hamrick,	Pump do.	"
James Blythe,	Saluda, do.	"
J. L. McCarson,	Hendersonville,	"
G. W. Johnson,	Do.	"
J. R. Rhodes,	Saluda, do.	"
W. B. Johnson,	Grandeur do.	S. C.
J. L. Brookshier,	Fruitland do.	N. C.
M. D. Corn,	Flat Rock, do.	"
Aaron Heatherly,	Do. do.	"
J. W. Anderson,	Delmont do.	"
R. M. Gilbert,	Pump do.	"
W. J. Wilkie,	Fletcher do.	"
G. W. Mace,	Bowman's Bluff,	"
J. M. Bryan,	Do. do.	"
L. H. Hamilton,	Do. do.	"
E. R. Nelson,	Hendersonville,	"
P. A. Kuykendall,	Green River do.	"
J. L. Hider,	Do. do.	"
W. A. Huggins,	Pump do.	"
J. A. Staton,	Blue Ridge, do.	"
John Leverett,	Do. do.	"
F. J. Brock,	Do. do.	"

LICENTIATES.

H. Patton,	Green River Post Office,	N. C.
T. J. Waters,	Upwards Do.	"
W. H. Davis,	Hendersonville Do.	"
Jacob Kuykendall,	Green River Do.	"
J. W. Justice,	Blue Ridge Do.	"

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	CL
Double Springs	J. F. Singleton	W. C. W
Saluda	James Blythe	J. I. Davi
Cross Roads	W. H. Jones	W. A. Fo
Mountain Hill	E. R. Nelson	Joshua P
Mount Olivet	J. W. Anderson	J. C. Wa
Hendersonville		W. A. Sm
Refuge	James Blythe	P. T. Wa
Barnwell	J. A. Staton	S. L. Lau
Salem	J. L. Brookshier	J. T. Sale
Mountain Valley	James Blythe	T. E. Pac
Shaw's Creek	G. W. Mace	Joseph M
Mountain Page	J. R. Rhodes	A. T. Har
Friendship	James Blythe	T. H. Wi
Bear Wallow	J. L. Brookshier	J. M. Ha
Mount Moriah	James Blythe	S. B. Nar
Milis' River	F. H. Plemmons	M. L. Un
Middle Fork	Richard Higgins	W. F. H
Green River	J. R. Rhodes	T. T. Mo
Oak Grove	J. R. Rhodes	T. E. W
Crab Creek	J. W. Anderson	J. L. Eva
Ebenezer	J. L. Brookshier	J. J. Bly
Pleasant Grove, No. 2	James Plemmons	W. R. W
Hooper's Creek	J. L. Brookshier	James Y
French Broad	G. W. Mace	J. C. Mo
Beulah	L. C. Hamilton	H. D. Dr
Pleasant Hill	E. R. Nelson	J. S. He
Mud Creek	J. R. Rhodes	J. N. Co
Riverside	G. W. Mace	M. H. O
Liberty	R. M. Gilbert	Charles
Green Mountain	J. L. Brookshier	J. W. F
Boilston	E. J. Morgan	J. P. Mc
*Cedar Springs		
*Pleasant Grove No. 1		
*Mount Gilead		

Those marked thus* were not represented.

JOSHUA PRUITT, CLERK.

STATISTICAL AND FINANCIAL TABLE.

...S.	POST-OFFICES.	Meeting days	Baptized	Received by letter	Restored	Dismissed	Excluded	Dead	Males	Females	Total membership	... organized
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	Saluda, N. C	4	3	..	.	...	.	.	11	20	31	
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...uitt	Glassy, S. C	4	5	4	5	14	14	2	30	60	90	
...l	Flat Rock, N. C	4	9	3		...	1	1	43	50	93	
...th	Hendersonville, N. C		.	..	4	...		3	39	53	93	
...l	Blue Ridge, N. C	1	.	2	.	10	4	3	107	169	276	
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...	Fletcher's, N. C	2	13	12	..	9	.	1	40	75	115	
...	Fish Top, N. C	3	12	7	.	5	.		21	34	55	
...Creary	Hendersonville, N. C	3	6	3	1	11	2	5	...		116	
...	Saluda, N. C	1		1	1	7	4		135	155	290	
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...brick	Pump, N. C	4	18	4	3	9	4	1	...	...	103	
...ney	Edneyville, N. C	4	..	..		5			..	..	165	
...erwood	Sitton, N. C	2	31	9	1	4		1	47	62	109	
...ntly	Bear Wallow, N. C	2	21	...		4	2	2	..	..	79	
...ris	Splendor, N. C	2	2	2	.	3			32	48	80	
...ers	Upwards, N. C	3	2	1		3	1	1	..	..	8	11
...s	Delmont, N. C	2	..	...		4		1	62	86	148	
...e	Hendersonville, N. C	3	19	6	1	5	1	2	42	68	110	13
...itaker	Pink Beds, N. C	3	...	...		2	2		16	19	35	
...ungblood	Fletcher's, N. C	2	..	6		19	6	2	..	..	7	
...gan	Hendersonville, N. C	2	10	20	3	1	1	1	20	29	49	
...ke	Bowman Bluff, N. C	1	3	6	1	4	3	1	79	123	202	6
...er	Hendersonville, N. C	3	...	6	.	...	5	1	29	41	70	
...	Hendersonville, N. C	4	...	...	.	..	2	2	25	46	71	
...nby	Horse Shoe, N. C		8	8	.	4	2	1	22	25	47	
...epard	Pump, N. C	3	..	4	.	2	5	.	27	41	68	1
...eman	Fruitland, N. C	1	29	3	.	3	3	1	62	75	137	1
...inna	Boilston, N. C	3	...	3		7	2	3	51	75	126	1
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Pupils in S. Schools	Foreign missions	Education	Minutes fund	Other benevolent objects	Pastors' salary	Value of church property	Associational missions	Ordained ministers	Licentiates	Repairing church
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W. B. JOHNSON, Moderator.

Sunday School Statistics.

	Plan Baptist	Plan Union	No. Officers	Teachers	Scholars	Scholars Converted	No. Church Members in S. S.	Amount Paid for Support of Sunday Schools	Amount Paid for Sunday School Literature	No. of Volumes in Sunday School Library	Cost of Sunday School Library	Paid for Support of Sunday Schools
Double Springs			2	2	10	3	14					
Saluda			3	3	30		35	3 50				
Cross Roads												
Mountain Hill			3	4	25		20					
Mount Olivet	N T											
Hendersonville			3	4	59						$305	
Refuge	B.											
Barnwell												
*Salem	B.		3	6	52	38						$1
Mountain Valley												
Shaw's Creek	B.		8	4	42		17		1 51			
Mountain Page			2	5	75		50					
Friendship												$1
Bear Wallow					135							
Mount Mariah												$
Mills' River	B.			6	55							
Middle Fork												
Green River												
Oak Grove	B.				50							
Crab Creek												$
Ebenezer	B.			13	46							
Pleasant Grove No. 2	B.		5	4	60		17		5 60			
Hooper's Creek										400		
French Broad	B.				40							
Beulah	B.		3	6	69	35						
Pleasant Hill	B.		3	4	96		25					
Mud Creek	B.		3	3	25		20					
Riverside	B.											
Cedar Springs												
Liberty	B.		6	5	75		10					
Mount Gillead												
Pleasant Grove No. 1												
Green Mountain	B.		1	4	65	17	31					
Boilston	B.		3	5	104		39					

*Evergreen.

15. No member shall leave the house without leave of absence from the Moderator.

16. When a question is under debate, no motion will be received, except to amend; to postpone to a given day or indefinitely; to lay on the table, or to adjourn, which is always in order, and decided without debate.

17. One member only shall speak at a time, who shall not be interrupted, unless he depart from the subject under consideration, use words of personal reflection, or is called to order.

18. The Clerk shall keep a fair record of the proceedings of each meeting, prepare them for the press, keep a regular file of them, and bring or send it to each meeting, and on going out of office, put it in the hands of his successor.

19. The Treasurer shall receive and have charge of all monies and specialities of the Association; pay out money to order of the body only, and at each meeting present a statement of his department.

20. The Association shall appoint at each meeting two of her ministering brethren, with alternates—one to preach the Introductory Sermon on the first day of the next meeting, directly after the organization of the body, and the other to preach the Associational Sermon on the Lord's day, directly after the morning sermon. At the close of the Association sermon, a collection will be taken up from the audience in support of one or more of the benevolent objects sustained by the Association.

21. The Association may have an address to the Churches prepared and published with the Minutes whenever she may think proper.

W. B. JOHNSON, MODERATOR.

JOSHUA PRUITT, CLERK.

CONSTITUTION.

We, the members of the Baptist Church of Jesus Christ, who have, on profession of our faith in Him, been immersed, believing that the Holy Scriptures are the only standard of faith and duty for Christians, enjoining as they do zealous and continued effort in promoting the cause of our blessed Lord, do now unite in this Association under this Constitution, for the advancement of the objects therein stated.

ARTICLE 1. This Association shall be called the CAROLINA BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, and shall be composed of representatives chosen by each church in the Union, from among the number of its own members, who shall carry to each meeting of the body, certificates of their election, with a statement of the membership, conditions, and prospects of the church they represent, the names of its licensed and ordained ministers, and such contributions as have been made for benevolent objects, which shall be appropriated only as the donors may direct.

II. This Association shall meet annually, and shall be organized as soon as the names of the representatives are enrolled, by the election of a Moderator, a Clerk, a Treasurer, and a Historian, by ballot, who shall hold offices until the next annual meeting.

III. Each church shall be entitled to a representation of three delegates, and an additional one for every fifty members in excess of one hundred, and all ordained ministers shall have seats as delegates.

IV. The Association shall be governed by such rules of order as it may from time to time adopt.

V. Any church holding the principles of the doctrines of Christ, and the order of His house, as generally held by those denominated Baptists, may connect itself with this Association at any meeting of the same.

VI. The decisions of the Association shall, in all cases, except in the matter of amendments to the Constitution, be made by a majority vote, but amendments to the Constitution must be adopted by a two-thirds vote. Amendments may be adopted at any meeting of the Association.

VII. The Association reserves the inalienable right to withdraw from any church that abandons the principles of this organization.

VIII. This Association holds that the Churches of Christ, though not possessed of any sovereign authority, are, nevertheless, in their government, independent of each other, and of all other ecclesiastical organizations, and accountable to no tribunal, but to Christ only, and holds that while it is the duty of all Churches, in temporal matters, to be obedient to the laws of the

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R. A. Freeman, Clerk, Pump, North Carolina.
J. T. Sales, Treasurer, Fletcher, " "
G. S. Jones, Historian, Hendersonville, North Carolina.

ASSOCIATIONAL BOARD.

W. C. Ward, W. J. Baldwin, P. T. Ward,
J. S. Rhodes, J. A. Gallimore, J. B. Freeman,
J. P. McKinna.

SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD.

L. B. Johnson, J. T. Sales, J. B. Freeman,
M. E. Cox, S. C. Sitton.

NEXT MEETING.

Boilston, Henderson county, N. C., 12 miles west of Hendersonville, Thursday before 2d Sunday in October, 1891, at 10.30 a. m.

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PROCEEDINGS.

HENDERSON COUNTY, N. C.,
October 9, 1890.

The Carolina Association convened this day with Old Salem.

Read First Psalm, sang a hymn, prayer by Elder John Ammons.

T. H. Plemmons and J. L. Brookshire were appointed reading clerks. Letters from churches were read and delegates enrolled.

Tellers were appointed and an election held which resulted as follows:

W. B. Johnson, Moderator; R. A. Freeman, Clerk; J. T. Sales, Treasurer; G. S. Jones, Historian.

Adjourned one hour.

AFTERNOON—FIRST DAY.

Introductory by Eld. W. J. Wilkie. Sang "My soul be on thy guard." Text and sermon consisted in simply reading 12th chapter of Romans. Good effect.

Resumed the regular business of the body. Appointed the following committees:

On Preaching—V. C. V. Hamilton, N. W. Corn, with the pastor and deacons of the church.

On Time and Place and Annual Sermon—J. B Ward, J. P. McKinna and A. L. Patterson.

On Church Letters—L. B. C. Brookshire, P. J. Hart and T. H. Plemmons.

On Union Meetings—J. A. Gallimore, H. D. Drake and W. C. Ward.

On Home and Conventional Missions—John Ammons, J. L. Brookshire and J. A. Staton.

On Education—Dr. R. H. Lewis, T. H. Plemmons and J. T. Sales.

On Foreign Missions—A. E. Brown, W. J. Wilkie and Dr. John Mitchell.

On Temperance—S. C. Sitton, A. T. Hart and T. H. Williams.

On Nominations—Joshua Pruitt, N. Buckner and John Kuykendall.

On Religious Periodicals—A. E. Brown, J. F. Garren and W. B. Searcy.

On State of Religion—J. C. Ward, D. F. Brevard and W. B. Case.

On Sunday Schools—J. T. Sales, P. T. Ward and R. A. Freeman.

On Obituaries—A. B. Freeman, Richard Drake and R. M. Prior.

On Finance—A. L. Patterson, P. M. Jones and Wm. Maxwell.

On Baptist Orphanage—J. L. Brookshire, J. P. McKinna and W. B. Case.

On motion a special committee on revision of the constitution was appointed:

W. C. Ward, J. L. Brookshire, J. P. McKinna, W. J. Wilkie, V. C. V. Hamilton, W. B. Johnson and R. A. Freeman.

Invited visiting brethren; Revs. John Ammons, A. E. Brown and T. H. Plemmons accepted seats. Bro. Ammons represented Home and Conventional Missions; Bro. Brown the ASHEVILLE BAPTIST.

Committee on Preaching announced that Bro. A. E. Brown will preach to-morrow at 11 a. m.

On motion, the house adopts the order of business of last year.

On motion, adjourned to 9.30 a. m. to-morrow. Benediction.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 10.

Met as per adjournment. Praise service conducted by Eld. W. J. Wilkie.

House called to order. Roll called and minutes of yesterday adopted.

On motion, Holly Springs church was received.

Called for correspondents: Rev. T. J. Brock, from Buncombe county association, accepted a seat with us.

Reports called for, when that on Sunday Schools was read, and on motion, set apart for Sunday, at 10 a. m.

Adjourned till 11 a. m.

Sermon by Rev. A. E. Brown, at 11 a. m. Read 119th Psalm, and 1st 9 verses of 1st chapter of St. John. Prayer by Dr. John Mitchell. Text, Matt. 5:14—subject, Light. At close of sermon, prayer by Eld. John Ammons. Adjourned for one hour.

AFTERNOON—SECOND DAY.

Called for correspondents: Rev. D. B. Nelson, editor

of Asheville Baptist, welcomed to a seat with us.

Report of committees called for, when that on the Baptist Orphanage was read and discussed; pending the motion to adopt, an opportunity was given Dr. Mitchell to solicit subscriptions for Charity and Children, and to take collection for the institution. Subscribers, 8; collection, $5.20. On motion, report adopted.

On motion, 10 a. m. to-morrow was set apart to hear the claims of the Asheville Baptist.

Report on Home and Conventional Missions read. On motion, deferred till 1 p. m. to morrow.

Committee on Foreign Missions report, on motion, deferred till 2.30 p. m. to-morrow.

Report on Church letters read. Adopted.

Committee on Education report. Excellent speeches by Dr. Lewis and editor D. B. Nelson. Report adopted.

Committee on time, place and annual sermon report. On motion the report was adopted.

Committee on Nominations report. Report adopted.

Report on Temperance read. Pertinent remarks by brethren Sitton, Lewis, Wilkie, Plemmons, Morgan, Brown and Ammons. Report adopted.

Committee on Preaching announced that Elder John Ammons will preach at 11 a. m. to-morrow.

By invitation our young brethren T. C. King and M. A. Jenkins accepted seats with us.

On motion the association adjourned until the following day at 9:30 a. m. Benediction.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 11.

Met per adjournment.

Praise service conducted by Eld. J. A. Staton. Sang "A Shelter in the Time of Storm."

House called to order, when a letter from Mt. Gilead was read.

On motion, Drs. R. H. Lewis and John Mitchell, and V. C. V. Hamilton were appointed a special committee to investigate the matter of printing the minutes of last year.

On motion speeches were limited to ten minutes, excepting those representing special interests, who were allowed twenty minutes.

Report on Periodicals was read. Remarks by Revs. A. E. Brown, D. B. Nelson, J. L. Brookshire, T. H. Plem-

mons and John Ammons; also Bro. J. B. Freeman and others. On motion the representatives of the paper were given time to take subscriptions, and secured several subscribers. The report was adopted.

Sermon by Eld. John Ammons at 11 a. m. Text, Luke 9:61–62. Subject, "Life-long devotion to Christ."

Rev. A. E. Poe, from Catawba Association, was invited to, and accepted a seat in the association.

On motion the association adjourned for one hour.

AFTERNOON SESSION—3D DAY.

House called to order. Proceeded to consider the report on Home and Conventional Missions set for this hour. A stirring appeal by Bro. Ammons was listened to, and on motion a collection was taken, amounting to $8.65. Report adopted.

A motion was made and carried that the collection to be taken on the following day be devoted to foreign missions.

Committee on State of Religion reported. Report adopted.

On motion, the committee on the Revision of the Constitution was given till next annual session to report.

Report on Obituaries was read and adopted.

Report on Union Meetings was read and adopted.

A motion was made and carried that the moderator appoint a committee of three on program, time and place of all union meetings in this association, and the brethren were selected: J. B. Freeman, J. A. Staton and J. L. Brookshire.

A resolution of thanks by Dr. Lewis, extended to the good sisters and brethren for their abundant hospitality was adopted.

Report of Treasurer read and adopted.

Report of Finance Committee read and adopted.

On motion the clerk was allowed $5.00 for his services and the balance of minute fund ordered to be expended in printing and distributing minutes.

The report on Foreign Missions was amended by naming four collections per year instead of one. Pending its adoption, good speeches were made by Elders D. B. Nelson, John Ammons and T. J. Brock. Report as amended was then adopted.

The following-named brethren were then appointed as correspondents to other bodies: Elders W. J. Wilkie and

J. L. Brookshire to Buncombe County Association; J. S. Rhodes to Transylvania Association; W. B. Johnson to North Greenville Association.

Rev. J. L. Brookshire and brethren A. L. Patterson and S. C. Sitton were appointed as delegates from this association to the Western Baptist Convention.

Committee on Preaching reported that Rev. T. H. Plemmons would preach at 11 a. m. and Rev. T. J. Brock at 1 p. m. on the following day. The association then adjourned with benediction.

SUNDAY, OCT. 12.

Sang "Come to the Fountain." Prayer by Rev. A. E. Poe. Sang "In the Shadow of His Wing."

House called to order.

Remarks on Sunday School Report by R. A. Freeman, Elder W. J. Wilkie moderator, W. B. Johnson and Elder A. E. Poe. Report adopted.

A resolution to the effect that this association appoint a missionary to work in the bounds of the same this year and that said appointee shall make monthly reports to associational board, and be subject to the order of the same, was adopted, and Rev. J. L. Brookshire was appointed.

A motion by Elder J. L. Brookshire that J. A. Gallimore, J. B. Freeman and J. P. McKinna be added to the associational board was carried.

Sermon by T. H. Plemmons at 11 o'clock a. m. Text, Luke, 10:33–37; subject, "Who is my neighbor?" Collection $20.60.

The stand was occupied in the afternoon by T. J Brock.

W. B. Johnson, Moderator.

R. A. Freeman, Clerk.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

On Time and Place and Annual Sermon—Place, Boilston, in Henderson county, 12 miles from Hendersonville, west.

Time, Thursday before 2d Sunday in Oct., 1890.

Introductory, by Eld. J. L. Brookshire. Alternate, J. W. Anderson.

Missionary sermon, by Dr. John Mitchell. Alternate, Eld. W. J. Wilkie.

Respectfully submitted,

J. B. Ward,
J. P. McKinna,
A. L. Patterson.

On Union Meetings—Your committee on Union Meetings find that each District has had one or more meetings with good effect, but recommend but one district in the bounds of the association. We suggest that all our churches send a full representation, and thus make the meetings a success. This we think necessary in order to work our churches up to a full sense of their Christian duty. We recommend that the first Union be held with the French Broad church, on Saturday before the 5th Sunday in November, 1890.

Respectfully,

J. A. Gallimore,
H. D. Drake,
W. C. Ward.

On Church Letters—Your committee beg leave to report the following: Having examined the letters of all the churches represented in the association, we find there has been a total addition by baptism of 132. Some of the churches have enjoyed revivals, while others report no additions by baptism. The churches have contributed to Home Missions, $37.97; to Foreign Missions, $89.76; to Education, $14.39. Total, for Home and Foreign Missions, $127.73.

We earnestly hope there will be a more favorable report from the churches at our next meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

P. J. Hart,
T. H. Plemmons.

On Home and Conventional Missions—Home Missions embraces the work under the direction and control of the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention. This Board is located at Atlanta, Ga. Its work embraces missions in the Southern States, the Indian Territory and Cuba. Many of the strong churches, both in the cities and in the country, have been planted and nourished by the Home Board. It has been through

this board that the gospel has been preached to the Indians of the Indian Territory, and the indications are that God, through a mysterious chain of providences, led the Home Board to establish the mission in Cuba. This mission is the wonder of the age. There has been nothing like it since the earlier days of Christianity. The Board is worthy of the hearty support of the denomination. We would especially call attention to the co-operation features of its work—its purposes to help those that help themselves.

Conventional Missions is confined to the territory of the Western Baptist Convention. The Convention has already done a good work—in a word, has been the chief means of progress in our denominational work, and as such it commends itself to the support and co-operation of our people. There are thirteen counties in Western North Carolina in the bounds of the Convention. Much of this territory is destitute of preaching, and many communities are destitute of the means of moral culture. It is the purpose of the Convention's Board to put active, consecrated workers into all those fields, and to plant churches in every community where prudence suggests.

The only means at its command are the co-operation of the brethren. God has greatly blessed our labors heretofore, and this ought to encourage us to go forward. Indications point to the fact that God has given us this land to give to His Son, our Lord Jesus. Shall we prove recreant to the trust? A contribution of one cent a month from the 25,000 Baptists in the Western Convention, would give us for Conventional Missions $3,000.

The e has been a large increase this year, both in Home and Conventional Mission contributions.

There is a very great destitution in the bounds of this association which calls aloud for help, let us heed this cry. Each church ought to have some system for raising money for missions, and the pastors ought to lead their people in this good work. Until the pastors become interested in the mission work we shall very much fail to accomplish what we ought in extending the Redeemer's kingdom on the earth.

There has been material advance all along the line; shall there not be a contribution this year from each member of the Carolina Association?

The minutes of last session show 3.222 members, this

at an average of one cent a month, would give $386.40.

Respectfully submitted.

JOHN AMMONS,
J. L. BROOKSHIRE,
J. A. STATON.

On Education.—It is hardly necessary at this age and in his body for a committee on education to urge upon the brethren and sisters the importance and the need of educating the young people. But there is necessity for stirring up our minds by way of remembrance. God's people ought to be the best people in every community—best not only in morals and manners, but also in intellectual abilities. They ought to be in a position to influence for good every person with whom they may come in contact, in whatever condition of life they may be, or to whatever intellectual height they may have reached. In order that this may be, we *must* educate our children. It is no use to say that opportunities are lacking. We thank God that now there is a school house in every neighborhood and in easy reach; an academy of higher grade in nearly every county, and sometimes two or three. And we have a college where boys and girls can receive pure collegiate instruction. Judson College has more students now than ever before at same period of session. The people of the world are aroused to the importance of education; let God's people arouse themselves also. The best things should be God's.

R. H. LEWIS.
T. H. PLEMMONS.
J. T. SALES.

On Foreign Missions.—We, your committee, are glad to report the outlook in foreign missions as very encouraging. The work is enlarging and the Board is pressing the same as fast as means are supplied. The last session of the Western N. C. Baptist Convention recommended the raising of $1,200 for this object. This association has fallen far short of its quota of this amount. Nearly all the churches come up with nothing reported for foreign missions. God has impressed one of our mountain boys to devote his life to the work of spreading the gospel among the heathen. This fact should spur us on to greater efforts and larger contributions for this object. God has indeed honored the Baptists of North Carolina

in calling thirty-two of her sons and daughters to the foreign fields; three of whom have gone to their reward.

We recommend that each pastor take a collection once each year for foreign missions. God's call to the foreign mission work is loud and unmistakable. The Board has missions in China, Africa, Italy, Brazil, Mexico and Japan. Brethren, let us do more next year.

A. E. Brown.
W. J. Wilkie.
John Mitchell.

On Temperance.—Your committee beg leave to submit the following: We are pained to note that many of our churches have members who use spirits as a beverage, and that most of our members use tobacco to excess, therefore, be it

Resolved, That this body advise the churches to withdraw from membership those who use spirits as a beverage.

We believe it to be our duty as followers of Christ to see that our moderation abounds in all things, that we abstain from the appearance of evil and teach both by precept and example.

We are pained to note that more distilleries have been put in operation during the last year within the bounds of this association and that they are doing great evil to the cause of temperance. We would recommend that an earnest and prayerful effort be made by our ministers and churches to suppress this growing evil.

Respectfully submitted.

S. C. Sitton.
A. T. Hart.
T. H. Williams.

On Nominations.—Your committee on nominations beg leave to report as follows: Associational board—W. C. Ward, W. J. Baldwin, P. J. Ward and J. S. Rhodes. Sunday school board—L. B. Johnson, J. B. Freeman, J. T. Sales, M. E. Cox and S. C. Sitton.

Respectfully submitted.

Joshua Pruitt.
John Kuykendall.
N. Buckner.

On Religious Periodicals.—Our paper, the *Asheville*

Baptist, is in a prosperous condition and is worthy of the support of the brethren, being the only medium of communication between our associations, an able exponent of our doctrine and boards of missions, always found on the side of right. It should be in every family of our association.

Brethren, how can we intelligently prosecute our work without this paper? We also recommend the other papers which represent special denominational interests; such as the *Home Field*, *Foreign Mission Journal*, *Charity and Children*, and for our Sunday schools the publications of the American Baptist Publication Society.

Respectfully submitted,

A. E. Brown,
W. B. Searcy,
J. T. Garren.

On State of Religion.—Your committee submit the following: That the state of religion so far as we have been able to learn, is not what it ought to be; yet we think it good. There has not been so many conversions this year, but we believe the progress of the churches is onward. The contributions in a great many churches have been small; but we hope they will double their diligence in all the departments of Christian work, during the next year. Let this be so brethren, for the sake of the Master's kingdom.

Respectfully,

J. C. Ward,
D. F. Brevard,
W. B. Case.

On Sunday Schools.—Your committee are happy to report a growing interest in the work of Sunday schools and that through this work, much good is being done.

While a few churches make no report of this work, and as we understand, some have no schools, yet we fully believe and trust that not more than one or two more annual meetings shall roll round till every church will report a Sunday school in good working order. We beg leave to recommend that every church engage in this line of work.

Brethren, our children, by attending Sunday schools are learning to fear the Lord, and they are furthermore, learning, "that they that fear the Lord, shall want no good thing."

Our ministers tell us that the majority of accessions to the church is from the Sunday school classes. So what we want, and hope for, and pray for, is more Sunday schools.

Respectfully submitted,

J. T. Sales,
P. T. Ward,
R. A. Freeman.

On Obituaries.—Your committee submit the following: "It has pleased the Lord in His all-wise providence to remove by death from within the bounds of our association during the past year, 36 persons. We hope our loss is their gain." "Blessed are they that die in the Lord, now, henceforth and forever."

A. B. Freeman,
R. T. Drake,
R. M. Prior.

On Finance.—We, your committee, report paid by the churches as follows:

Mt. Moriah, 60 cents; Hendersonville, $2; Friendship, $1.35; Mills River, 80 cents; Middle Fork, 50 cents; Pleasant Hill, 80 cents; Ebenezer, 55 cents; Barnwell, 65 cents; Refuge, $1.25; Oak Grove, $1.00; Green Mountain, 47 cents; Crab Creek, 75 cents; Holly Springs, 50 cents; Mud Creek, $1.00; Cross Roads, $1.00; French Broad, 90 cents; Shaw's Creek, $1.00; Boilston, $1.00; Mt. Olivet, 75 cents; Mountain Hill, 80 cents; Bear Wallow, 70 cents; Beulah, $1.00; Mountain Page, $2.00; Double Springs, 70 cents; Riverside, $1.00; Hooper's Creek, 65 cents; Salem, $1.50; Saluda, 90 cents; Green River, 70 cents; Pleasant Grove, 40 cents; Broad River, $1.10; Mt. Gilead, 75 cents. Total, $29.17.

Respectfully, &c.,

A. L. Patterson,
P. M. Jones,
Wm. Maxwell.

On Baptist Orphanage.—Your committee on the Orphanage are glad to note the growing interest manifest among the churches of our association for this worthy Baptist institution. Although the Orphanage is one of the last institutions inaugurated by the Baptists of our State, still it is none the less worthy of our prayers and

support. That broad-minded, large hearted Baptist, J. H. Mills, is, and has been from the first, superintendent, and under his care are about 150 orphan children, looking to the Baptists of North Carolina, through him, for support.

Brethren, it is our indispensable duty to rally to the aid of the Orphanage. The property of the Orphanage consists of 300 acres of land and five cottages completed and two in course of erection.

We recommend the *Charity and Children*, a weekly eight-page paper, published by the children of the Orphanage. Respectfully submitted,

J. L. Brookshire,
J. P. McKinna,
W. B. Case.

Report of Special Committee on Printing Minutes for 1889.—The documents submitted to us were two letters from J. C. Bailey and two receipts from the same. We find that the bargain was twenty dollars for printing minutes. And we find two receipts from the printer covering the amount of twenty dollars. The dates of the receipts were Sept. 12 and October 21, 1889. The first shows that the bargain was for twenty dollars for 500 minutes. Respectfully submitted,

John Mitchell,
Rich'd H. Lewis,
V. C. V. Halilton.

REPORT OF TREASURER.

Received from the different churches for printing minutes	$26 40
Rec'd from Ebenezer for associational missions	2 00
" " Mountain Page " "	1 50
" of Hooper's Creek for Missions	1 25
" " " " Foreign Missions	1 65
" " " " Home Missions	1 50
" of Z. V. Brevard, former treasurer	5 55
Collection at Association	11 20
Total	$50 85

Paid to clerk for printing minutes.....	$26 40
" G.W. Mac for services as missionary	15 95
" into the hands of J. T. Soales, the present treasurer.....	8 50
Total.....	$50 85

Respectfully submitted,
P. T. WARD, Treasurer.

ROLL OF DELEGATES.

Boilston.—J. T. Garren, J. P. McKinna, L. Nickolson.

Broad River.—D. L. Clements, W. B. Searcy, R. Hudgins, A. W. Gilliam, D. R. Ownbey.

Bear Wallow.—R. A. Freeman, L. H. Freeman, G. S. Wall, J. B. Wall.

Bulah.—R. F. Orr, H. D. Drake, B. McCreary, J. M. Mace, J. A. Middleton.

Barnwell.—S. L. Laughter, M. A. Barnwell, W. R. Barnwell, M. S. Laughter, B. L. Laughter.

Cross Roads.—P. Kuykendall, B. Heatherly, Jacob Kuykendall.

Crab Creek—J. L. Evans, T. N. Reed, A. L. Patterson, F. B. McCall.

Double Springs.—W. C. Ward, W. B. Johnson.

Ebenezer.—Joseph Holbert, Wm. Maxwell, D. F. Brevard, John Collins, T. J. Shipman.

Friendship.—T. H. Williams, J. T. Hipp, W. M. Edwards, J. A. Johnson.

French Broad.—J. Carlisle, J. C. Morgan, James Allen, W. S. Justice.

Green River.—J. R. Staton, N. W. Corn, G. C. Beddingfield, J. B. F. Pace.

Green Mountain.—S. M. Gilliam, L. Petillo, J. A. Ballard, J. B. Freeman.

Hendersonville.—N. Buckner, C. M. Pace, J. A. Gallimore, Rich'd H. Lewis.

Hooper's Creek.—James Garren, Rev. W. J. Wilkie, William Maxwell, Wm. Suttle.

Holly Springs.—V. C. V. Hamilton, S. B. Osteen, Edward Smith, E. B. Sentell.

Mountain Hill.—Joshua Pruitt, E. M. Pruitt, G. S. Bridgman.

Mt. Olivet.—J. C. Word, H. W. Sentell, W. P. Kuykendall.

Mountain Page.—J. B. Word, P. J. Hart, A. T. Hart, A. J. Pace, O. B. Kelly, J. T. Pace, John Word.

Mt. Moriah.—J. H. Justice, T. Dalton, A. E. Wilson, Wm. Marshall, J. R. Wilkie.

Middle Fork.—R. M. Prior, Wm. Hill, T. J. Huntley.

Mud Creek.—L. B. C. Brookshire, J. M. Corn, J. D. Nelson, P. M. Jones.

Mills River.—S. C. Sitton, M. A. Allen, W. E. Fields, Phillip Allen.

Mt. Gilead.—S. Whitaker, J. M. Ballard, J. S. Rhodes, G. K. Moore.

Oak Grove.—Rev. J. L. Brookshire, Wm. Anders, John Kuykendall, C. A. Hill, T. E. Waters.

Pleasant Grove, No. 2.—T. M. Stewart, D. B. Androws.

Pleasant Hill.—R. T. Drake, A. J. Bane, W. A. Mason, J. D. Gilbert.

Refuge.—J. A. Staton, J. W. Staton, T. F. Pace, R. Brock, J. H. Hill, P. T. Word.

Riverside.—W. B. Case. W. B. Pettit, H. Hollingsworth, L. M. Redden.

Shaws' Creek.—M. E. Cox, W. D. Rymer, Stephen Fore, J. H. Johnson.

Saluda.—James Blythe, R. W. Pace, J. Q. Davis, Thos. Pace.

Salem.—J. B. Hudson, J. W. Suttle, W. J. Baldwin, D. Garren, W. J. Tow, J. T. Sales.

ORDAINED MINISTERS.

Richard Huggins,	Bat Cave,	North Carolina.
F. C. Hamric,	Pump,	" "
W. J. Wilkie,	Fletcher,	" "
W. A. Huggins,	Bat Cave,	" "
James Blythe,	Saluda,	" "
W. B. Johnson,	Grandeur,	South Carolina.
J. L. Brookshire,	Flat Rock,	North Carolina.
R. M. Gilbert,	Edneyville,	" "
G. W. Mace,	Bowman's Bluff,	" "
J. A. Staton,	Blue Ridge,	" "
John Leverett.	" "	" "

G. W. Johnson,	Hendersonville,	North	Carolina.
J. L. McCarson,	"	"	"
G. S. Jones,	"	"	"
John Mitchell,	"	"	"
P. A. Kuykendall,	Green River,	"	"
John Hyder,	" "	"	"
J. R. Rhodes,	Saluda,	"	"
Wm. Jones,	Flat Rock,	"	"
H. G. Patton,	" "	"	"
T. J. Waters,	" "	"	"
E. R. Nelson,	Hendersonville,	"	"
W. M. Allen,	Fletcher,	"	"
L. C. Hamilton,	Knight,	"	"
R. F. Hamilton,	"	"	"

LICENTIATES.

W. G. Gray,	Knight,	North	Carolina.
M. M. Staton,	Saluda,	"	"
H. W. Vernon,	Mills River,	"	"
S. F. Moore,	Pump,	"	"
W. S. Grant,	"	"	"
N. W. Corn,	Zirconia,	"	"
J. R. Staton,	"	"	"
Jacob Kuykendall,	Green River,	"	"
W. H. Davis,	Hendersonville,	"	"

CONSTITUTION.

We, the members of the Baptist church of Jesus Christ, who have, on profession of our faith in Him, been immersed, believing that the holy scriptures are the only standard of faith and duty for Christians, enjoying as they do, zealous and continued effort in promoting the cause of our blessed Lord, do now unite in this association, under this Constitution, for the advancement of the objects therein stated:

ARTICLE I. This Association shall be called the Carolina Baptist Association, and shall be composed of representatives chosen by each church in the Union, from among the number of its own members, who shall carry to each meeting of the body certificates of their election, with a statement of the membership, conditions and prospects of the church they represent, the name of its licensed and ordained ministers, and such contributions as have been made for benevolent objects, which shall be appropriated only as the donors may direct.

ART. II. This Association shall meet annually, and shall be organized as soon as the names of the representatives are enrolled, by the election of a moderator, clerk, treasurer and historian, by ballot, who shall hold office until the next annual meeting.

ART. III. Each church shall be entitled to a representation of three delegates, and an additional one for every fifty members in excess of one hundred, and all ordained ministers shall have seats as delegates.

ART. IV. The Association shall be governed by such rules of order as it may from time to time adopt.

ART. V. Any church holding the principles of the doctrines of Christ, and the order of His house, as generally held by those denominated Baptists, may connect itself with this Association at any meeting of the same.

ART. VI. The decisions of the Association shall, in all cases, except in the matter of amendments to the Constitution, be made by a majority vote, but amendments to the Constitution must be adopted by a two-third vote. Amendments may be adopted at any meeting of the Association.

ART. VII. The Association reserves the inalienable

right to withdraw from any church that abandons the principles of this organization.

Art. VIII. This Association holds that the churches of Christ, though not possessed of any soverign authority, are, nevertheless, in their government, independent of each other, and of all other ecclesiastical organizations, and accountable to no tribunal, but to Christ only, and holds that while it is the duty of all churches, in temporal matters, to be obedient to the laws of the land, in spiritual matters they should be obedient alone to Jesus Christ, their only head and law-giver.

Art. IX. While this Association holds that each church is an independent body, as above stated, it rather regards itself as an advisory council, but will not presume to dictate for the churches, but will give counsel, which the churches may receive or reject; but the Association is of opinion that the best mode of settling differences between churches is to take the same scriptural steps as are prescribed for the settling of difficulties between members; that the church that feels aggrieved shall send a statement of the cause of grievance to the sister church which gave the offence, and if it will not give Christian satisfaction, then call upon one or two sister churches to assist in a settlement, and if the offending church will not listen, then report the same to this body, which will not pay any attention to such complaints, unless the above course of procedure has been complied with.

Art. X. This Association will not admit or receive any church into membership in the Union that is known to be in disorder, or composed of members excluded from another church of the same order of this Association.

Art. XI. Any church in good standing in this Association shall, at any time, be allowed the privilege of withdrawing from the same by letter.

Art. XII. This Association may correspond and form a brotherly union with any Baptist organization holding similar views of doctrines and duty with those held by this body.

Art. XIII. This Association may appoint as many boards or committees as may be necessary for carrying on the business and accomplishing the objects of its or-

ganization. These, when so appointed, shall make reports at the times appointed by the Association.

ART. XIV. The minutes shall be read and corrected, if necessary, in the morning of each day of the session, and at the close of the last day.

ART. XV. As the business of the Association must be finished before its adjournment, no member shall be allowed to depart from any of its sessions without leave.

ART. XVI. The objects of the Association shall be the circulation of the Scriptures in destitute places, the encouragement and aid of foreign, home, conventional and associational missions, education, Sunday schools and temperance.

ART. XVII. This Association shall keep a book in which this Constitution and a minute of each session shall be recorded, which book shall be present at every meeting of the Association.

RULES OF ORDER.

1. The annual meetings of the Association shall open by singing and prayer at half past ten o'clock on Thursday before the second Sunday in October in each year. At this hour the moderator, or in his absence the clerk, shall call the members to order, when the certificates will be presented, and the names of the members enrolled. This body will then be organized by the election of officers, and thus organized, attend upon the introductory discourse, at the close of which the association will take recess or proceed to business.

2. The order of business is to open the door: 1, for membership. 2, for correspondence. 3, for any business coming up regularly.

3. The association shall, on each day, open and close with prayer by the moderator, or a brother, at his request. The title of "brother" shall be used in all the meetings of this body.

4. The moderator shall preside in the meetings of the body, keep and decide questions of order, subject to appeal from members.

5. Questions shall be decided by "aye" or "no," doubtful cases by the rising of the members to their feet until they are counted.

6. The moderator shall appoint all committees, except those ordered by ballot.

7. In all cases by ballot, the moderator may vote; in other cases he may not, unless the body be equally divided, or unless his vote, if given to the minority, will make the division equal, and in that case the question shall be lost.

8. A member may, on motion, submit any subject to the consideration of the association that relates to its design or objects, and if seconded, it shall receive due consideration, except it be withdrawn by the mover with the consent of the body.

9. If two or more members shall rise to speak at the same time, the moderator shall decide the priority of right.

10. If a member shall violate any of these rules, any member may, but the moderator shall, call him to order.

11. No member shall speak on the same subject oftener than twice, without leave of the association, except to explain.

12. A member, in making a motion, speaking, or in debate, shall rise and address the moderator respectfully.

13. When a motion is made and seconded, it shall be stated by the moderator before debate.

14. When the moderator is putting the question, or addressing the body, no member shall walk out or across the house; nor, when a member is speaking, enter into private conversation, or pass between the speaker and the moderator, but all are required to pay strict attention.

STATISTICAL AND

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	CLERKS.	POSTOFFICES.	Meeting Days.	Baptized.
Boilston	T. C. Holtsclaw	J. M Banning	Boilston	2	1
Broad River	G. A. Bartlett	D L Clements	Broad River	3	
Bear Wallow	J. D. Brookshire	J. M. Hampic	Pump	4	
Beulah	L. C. Hamilton	H. D. Drake	Bowman's Bluff	1	1
Barnwell	J. A. Staton	S L. Laughter	Pump	1	
Cross Roads	W. H. Jones	W. A. Fortune.	Green River		
Crab Creek		J. L. Evans	Delmont	2	1
Double Springs	J. T. Singleton	W. C Ward	Splendor	3	5
Ebenezer	J. L. Brookshire	J. J Blythe	Hendersonville	3	1
Friendship	James Blythe	T. H. Williams	Saluda	2	
French Broad	T. C. King	J C. Morgan	Hendersonville	1	
Green River	J. R. Rhodes	T. T. Morris	Zirconia	2	
Green Mountain	W. J. Wilkie	J. W. Freeman	Fruitland		
Hendersonville	John Mitchell	W. A. Smith	Hendersonville	1—4	1
Hooper's Creek	W. J. Wilkie	J. A. Youngblood	Fletcher	3	
Holly Springs	L. C. Hamilton	J. S. Hamilton	Knight	3	6
Mount in Hill	P. A. Kuykendall	Joshua Pruitt	Glassy, S. C	4	12
Mt. Olivet	J. W. Anderson	J. C. Ward	Flat Rock	4	6
Mountain Page	J. W. Middleton	B. F. Turner	Saluda	1	170
Mt. Moriah	R. M. Gilbert	Geo. W Ledbetter	Edneyville	4	32
Middle Fork	R. Hudgins	W F Huntley	Bear Wallow	2	7
Mud Creek	J. R. Rhodes	J. M. Case	Hendersonville	4	1
Mills River	T. H. Plemmons	M. L. Underwood	Sitton	2	1
Mt. Gilead	" "	J. S. Rhodes	Angeline		3
Oak Grove	J. R. Rhodes	T. E. Waters	Upward	3	3
Pleasant Grove	T. M. Stuart	F. M. Moore	Pink Beds		
Pleasant Hill	E. R. Nelson.	W. A. Mason	Hendersonville	3	
Refuge	James Blythe	P. T. Ward	Blue Ridge	1	11
Riverside	J. L. McCarson	M. H. Ownbey	Horse Shoe		2
Shaw's Creek	R. M. Gilbert	W. D. Rymer	Hendersonville	2	9
Saluda	James Blythe	J. I. Davis	Saluda	4	
Salem	J. L. Brookshire	J. T. Sales	Fletcher		12
*Liberty					
*Pleasant Grove					
*Cedar Springs					
*Mountain Valley					
			Total		331

*Not Represented.

FIFTEENTH ANNUAL SESSION

—— OF THE ——

CAROLINA

BAPTIST ASSOCIATION,

——HELD WITH THE——

BOILSTON CHURCH,

HENDERSON COUNTY, N. C.

October 8th, 9th, 10th and 11th, 1892.

COMPILED BY
R. A. FREEMAN, CLERK,
PUMP, N C.

OFFICERS.

Rev. W. B. Johnson, Moderator,	Grandeur, S. C.
Dr. R. A. Freeman, Clerk,	Pump, N. C.
J. T. Sales, Treasurer,	Fletcher, N. C.
Rev. G. S. Jones, Historian,	Hendersonville, N. C.

ASSOCIATIONAL BOARD.

J. Williams, J. B. Freeman, J. A. Gallimore,
L. B. C. Brookshire, W. F. Robinson.

SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD.

Rev. G. S. Jones, J. T. Sales, J. P. McKinna,
P. T. Ward, W. B. Case.

NEXT MEETING.

Mt. Mariah, 10 miles east of Hendersonville, Thursday before 2nd Sabbath in October, 1892. Introductory by Rev. J. W. Anderson; alternate, Rev. R. M. Gilbert.

PROCEEDINGS.

HENDERSON COUNTY, N. C.,
October 9, 1891.

The Carolina Association convened this day with Boilston Church. Rev. W. B. Johnson in the chair, read a portion of the 5th chapter Mathew and sang hymn, "I love thy Kingdom &c."

Prayer by Rev. T. H. Plemmons.

House called to order, and Revs. A. E. Brown and J. L. Brookshire were appointed reading clerks.

Church letters read and delegates enrolled as follows:

Boilston—Rev. T. C. Holsclaw, P. P. Orr, J. P. McKinna, and J. M. Banning.
Bear Wallow—R. A. Freeman, J. M. Hamric, and J. F. Laighton.
Beulah—Elder G. W. Mace, Elder L. C. Hamilton, S. A. Mace and H. D. Drake.
Barriwell—M. L. Barnwell.
Crab Creek—J. J. Osteen, Samuel Sentell, and J. A. Rhodes.
Cross Roades—D. M. Kuykendall.
Double Springs—R. F. Levi.
Ebenezer—Joseph Holbert.
Green River—G. C. Reddingfield.
Green Mountain—Jay W. Freeman and B. Jackson.
Hendersonville—Dr. R. H. Lewis and N. Bucknee.
Mt. Olivet—H. P. Kuykendall.
Mountain Page—Rev. J. R. Rhodes, Wm. Bradley and R. B. Hipps.
Mountain Hill—M. C. Pruitt and B. W. Emery.
Mt. Moriah.—W. S. Williams.
Middle Fork—W. S. Grant, J. P. Morrow and F. J. Huntley.
Mud Creek—B. C. Jones and W. F. Robinson.
Mills River—S. C. Sitton.
Mt. Gilead—J. J. Allen and J. S. Rhodes.
Oak Grove—John Kuykendall and J. B. Justice.
Pleasant Grove No. 2, D. B Anders, T. M. Stewart.
River Side—L. M. Redden, W. B. Case and W. N. Corn.
Refuge.—P. T. Ward, John W. Staton and W. W. Hill.
Shaws Creek—M. E. Cox.
Saluda—J. I. Davis and Clinton Johnson.
Salem—R. T. Tow, J. T. Sales and W. J. Baldwin.
Mountain Valley—W. S. McCraw and John L. Jackson.

Then went into permanent organization.

Tellers were appointed as follows:

Revs. A. E. Brown and T. H. Plemmons for Mod.
Bros. J. T. Sales and J. S. Rhodes for Clerk.
Rev. J. L. Brookshire and Bro. H. D. Drake for Treas.
Bros. N. Buckner and J. A. Rhodes for Hist.

Election resulted as follows:

Rev. W. B. Johnson, re-elected Moderator.
Dr. R. A. Freeman, re-elected Clerk.
Bro. John T. Sales, re-elected Treasurer.
Rev. G. S. Jones, re-elected Historian.

Adjourn 1 hour.

FIPST DAY—AFTERNOON.

House assembled by singing "There is a fountain &c."

Prayer by Rev. D. A. Glenn.

Introductory sermon was then delivered by Rev. J. L. Brookshire. Text, 2nd Tim. 4, 7; "I have fought a good fight &c." The sermon taught us that we should be aggressive in the work of the Lord. Sang "Am I a soldier of the cross."

Invitations to new churches extended when Fork Creek and Golden Hill were by motion received.

Delegation from Fork Creek—B. F. Turner.

Delegation from Golden Hill—J. P. Hyder.

Correspondents called for when Rev. A. E. Brown from Bumcombe County Association.

Revs. T. H. Plemmons and A. W. Beck, from Transylvania Association accepted seats with us.

Rev. D. A. Glenn was then introduced to the house by Bro. T.H. Plemmons.

Bro. Glenn came forward and said: "I am among you brethren with no new doctrine but to work heart and hand with you in a united effort for the Master's cause." He was given a hearty welcome by the Association.

Rev. John Ammons, the corresponding Secretary of the Western Baptist Convention was, at this time welcomed to seat with us.

By motion, the letter from Mountain Page was refered to the following committee for investigation:

John Ammons, R. A. Freeman, T. H. Plemmons, A. E Brown, J. T. Sales and J. S. Rhodes.

By motion a committee on order of busines was appointed as follows:

L. C. Hamilton, Jay W. Freeman, J. L Brookshire, G. W. Mace, J. G. Stepps, the Moderator and Clerk were added to the above

The following regular committees were then appointed:

On preaching – J. A. Rhodes and B F. Turner, together with the pastor and deacons of the church.

Finance—J. M. Steward, J. L. Davis.

Time and place and Annual sermon—L. C. Hamilton, W. S. Williams and Samuel Sentell.

On Church Letters—N. Buckner, J. A. Staton, J. L Hyder.

Union mee ings—J. T. Sales, H. G. Patton and G. W. Mace.

Home and Conventional Missions—John Ammons, A. E. Brown and J. L. Brookshire.

Education—Elders D. A. Glenn, T. H. Plemmons and Bro P. T. Ward.

Foreign Missions—Rev. A. E. Brown, Rev. J. R. Rhodes and Bro. W. H. Jones.

Temperance—Jay W. Freeman, S. C. S tton, Revs. G. W. Mace and T. C. Holsclaw.

On Nomination—J S. Rhodes, J. A. Staton and W. B. Case.

On Periodicals—Rev. A. W. Beck, J. P Hyden and M E. Cox.

On State of Religon—P. A Kuykendall, W. S. Grant. J. T. Sales and N. P. Corn.

Sunday Schools—Rev. G. S Jones, M L. Barnwell, D. B. Anders.

Obituaries—John Kuykendall, M. Pruitt and B F. Turner.

Baptist Orphanage—Rev. D. A. Glenn, J P. McKinna and W. W. Hill.

By motion a committee on State of the Ministry, was appointed—W. B. Case, H. P Kuykendall add G C. Beddingfield.

By Motion a committee on State of the Deacons was appointed—Revs. J. L. Brookshire, T. C. Holsclaw and G. W. Mace

By Motion Rev. D. A. Glenn was designated to preach the Missionary sermon on Sunday. Adjourn.

Benediction by Rev. T. H. Plemmons.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 9.

Body met. Moderator Johnson in the chair. Read 1st division of the Psalms. Sang "When I can read my titles clear." Prayer by Rev. G. W. Mace.

By request Bro. Glenn was released from preaching Missionary sermon, Sunday, that he might preach to his own charge in Hillville and Bro. John Ammons substituted Bro. Glenn to preach to-day at 11 a. m

By motion a committee on Associational Missions was appointed as follows:

Jay W. Freeman, P. T. Ward and J. G Stepps.

Minutes of yesterday read and adopted.

Called for church letters, when French Broad presented her letter with brethren E. L Allen, J. C. Morgan and James Allen as delegates.

The committee to investigate the letter from Mountain Page read their report as follows:

We your committee, to which was refered the letter of Mountain Page church, has heard the following charges: That the said church is in disorder, because they have as pastor, a brother, Rev: John Leverett, who is under censure of his church, (Refuge) for lying and teaching false doctrine.

We have carefully investigated this matter and find that Mountain Page church has not received official notice of the charge. Also, that the pastor has signified to the church, his intention of resigning as pastor.

Again: We find through the delegates, that the deacons on hearing of these charges, asked him not to fill the pulpit again until Refuge had taken final action on his case.

We believe from the evidence before us, that the church would not, as a body, endorse any deviation from Baptist belief as taught in the New Testament.

Signed by the committee. Report adopted.

Report of Rev. J. L. Brookshire as missionary in the bounds of the Association.

Work done, 31 days.

Held 13 prayer meetings.

Preached 31 sermons

Baptized 9.

Collected on the field $19 82.

(Signed by) Rev. J. L. Brookshire.

Report adopted and the Clerk required to furnish a copy of same to the Cor. Secretary, W. B C. 11 O'clock a. m. sermon by Rev. D. A. Glenn. Sang: "Amazing grace how sweet the sound." Text; 9th verse, 36 Psalm, "In the light shall we see light." Prayer at close of sermon by Rev. T. H. Plemmons.

A motion was carried to pay our Missionary, the deficit in his salary, out of the collection Sunday. Adjourn 1 hour.

FRIDAY, AFTERNOON.

Called to order. Church letters called for, when friendship presented her letter with Bro. J. L. Tampson as delegate. Also Holly Springs, with J. E. Seintell as delegate.

Report on nominations read: We your committee, recommend the appointment, on Associational Board of brethern J. Williams, J B Freeman, John Gallamore, B. C. Brookshire, W. F. Robinson, and on Sunday School Board, brethren Rev. G. S. Jones, J. T. Sales, J. P. McKinna; P T. Ward and W. B. Case.

Signed by the committee. Report adopted.

Report on Baptist orphanage as follows:

We are taught in James that pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father, is this: To visit the fartherless and widows in their affliction.

There is a significant teaching in this scripture that does not lie in the surface. The duty is enjoined upon us here and elsewhere in the word of God, not only to visit the fartherless, but so help them with our money, our pravers and our sympathy. God in his providence has put it into the hearts of the Baptist of N. C. to establish an institution where orphans are cared for and educated. This institution is located at Thomasville and is sustained by the contributions of the Baptists of the State.

We learn from Bro. Mills, that they are greatly in need of funds at this time. We therefore recommend that all the churches of this body at their earliest convenience make a contribution to this worthy object.

D. A. Glenn,
W. W. Hill.

Remarks by the committee and Bro. John Ammons and others pending the adoption, a collection was taken, which in connection with the subscriptions to "Charity and Children" amounted to $13 71. Report adopted.

The committee on Foreign Missions report as follows:

Your committee beg leave to submit the following:

During the past year, two of our Associations have taken advanced steps in this great work, but we are sorry to report that the Carolina Association has fallen back nstead of keeping pace with her brethren of the Convention. Last year the Convention asked the Baptists of W. N. C. to raise $1500, for Foreign Missions.

We are creditably informed that we have fallen for short of this amount.

As to the work in foreign lands, it has succeeded far beyond our expectations. Millions are crying for the Gospel, while we are deaf to their cries. What are we of this Association going to do?

We recommend that the pastors present this subject to their churches during the month of November and take up collections for the same.

A. E. Brown,
J. A. Rhodes,
W. H. Jones.

Most excellent speeches were made by nearly all the Ministers present, as well as some of the lay brethren and even private expression was given, on the grounds, to new and better resolutions on this subject. Report adopted.

Report on State of religion, read and adopted.

We your committee on State of religion, have examined, and find it only medium. We see at once, that the state of religion should be revived, and therefore double dilligence should be used in every proper way possible to raise it to a higher plain of spirit and work.

(Signed) P. A. Kuykendall,
W. S. Grant,
N. W. Corn.

Report on obituaries as follows:

It has pleased the Lord in his allwise providence, to remove by death from within the bounds of our Association, during the past year, 48 of our brotherhood. We hope our loss is their gain. "Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth: Yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labors; and their works do follow them." Rev. 14; 13

Respectfully submitted,
John Kuykendall,
B. F. Turner,
M. C. Pruitt,

Adopted.

Report on state of the Ministay read as follows:

Your committee are pained to say that the state of the ministry is not as it should be. We have about one miuister to each church in the bounds of our Association, enovgh to have preaching at each church every Sunday.

We are sorry to say that a number of our preachers do not attend our Union meetings and Associations. We think this is one cause of the lethargy and discord among us.

We urge our ministers to attend these meetings and thereby, assist those who are faithful.

Brethren: The Baptists of the Carolina Association, are simply a power for God asleep.

Respectfully submitted,
W. B. Case,
H. P. Kuykendall,
G. C. Biddingfield,

Report adopted.

By motion adjourn. Sang "Jesus lover of my soul." benediction by Rev. A. W. Beck.

SATURDAY, Nov. 10.

House called to order by moderator. Sang "Blest be the tie that binds." Prayer by Rev. J. A. Staton. Letters called for. Reports called for, when that on the state of the Deacons was read as follows. Your committee find, that there is great need of awakening among the deacons, for much of the work of our churches depends on them. Not only is this the case, but we find but few deacons in the true

meaning of the word—we find one, now and then, working in his proper place. If they were all in their proper place, doing their proper work, the cause of Missions would not suffer much, and preachers would preach more and better.

Rev. J. L. Brookshine,
T. C. Holsclaw,
G. W. Mace.

Report adopted.

Report on Home and Conventionan Missions read and adopted.

REPORT.

So much has been written on this subject, that most that need be said now, is to give facts and figures.

During the last year, the Home Board i. e.The Atlanta Board, had under appointment, five hundred and six missionaries. These were scattered over the Southern States, Indian Ter. New Mexico, Oklahoma, and Cuba.

There were baptized, during the year, 5,349 persons, making an average of more than thirteen to each missionary.

Takihg into calculation; the seed that had been sown, and the good influences that had been set in motion, the results are incalculable. This mission is about five years old. Commencing w th but a single convert, there are now belonging to the Cuban Baptist Churches nearly two thousand members. See what God hath wrought.

The comm.ttee would urge the pastors to keep the work of the Home Board before the Churches, and take collections for its work.

Our conventional work, last year, made great advances over any former year, and we commenced the present year's work, hoping to be able to go beyond what had been accomplished last year, but in this we were mistaken.

The year has been unfavorable to our mission work, and the work has been retarted, yet we have cause to take courage and press forward.

Our conventional mission work, lies at the foundation of all our denominational progress and development. Much has been done and more remains to be done.

Associational missions is a branch of our conventional work, because the associations have been co-operating with the convention. The closer the associations can be drawn to the Convention, the better it will be for both as their interests are identical.

There is great need of mission work in this association. A strong man is needed, one that can bear hardness as a good soldier of Jesus.

One that can meet opposition and turn it to advantage–an organizer, unifying the work and educating the people and the pastors.

This Afsociation is well able to supply this want; but concert of effort is essential to success.

The year 1892 is the centennial of modern missions and your committee recommend that Saturday of next session be devoted to the subject of missions and an effort be made during the year, to raise for mission work, at home and abroad, an amount, equal to an average of fifty cents to the member in our chuaches.

John Ammons
A. E. Brown
J. L. Brookshire

—at this moment Bro. Speight of the Asheville Bap isa was welcomed to a seat wi h us—

Remarks on the report by Rev. John Ammons—said; 'God has blessed us with abundant means, that the Baptist hosts of W. N. C. are good and liberal, if made cognizent of their duties–would send the kind of men we need, that is our strongest men, as missionaries if the matter was properly laid before them. Collection, Amt. $5.92.

Report Adopted.

Report on temperence read and by motion made the special order for 2 o'clock P. M.

Report

Since it is a fact that intemperance is the worst of all evils, and the source of distress to more Mothers and deprives many children of homes and of an Education

who, on the contrary, mignt be bright and shining lights constraining others, and since it is a fact that this evil is indulged, in almost every church in the bounds of this Association, should we not thorcughly purge ourselves of it? We know that the children of Isreal could not make progress while journying in the wilderness while trouble was in camp, neither can we, as christ ans, make progress for our Master while this odious evil is in our churches. Would it not be well to request every pastor in this Association, to lay more stress on this thing of intemperence within the churches?

Respectfully submitted
Jay W. Freeman
T. C. Holsclow
G. W. Mace

Resolution on Temperance by Rev. T. C. Holsclow as follows— In view of the great evil of intemperance and realizing that we are responsible for this evil till we have done all in our power to put it down, we offer the following Resolutions; That we will not fellowship any church that allows her members to deal in, or sanction the use of intoxicating drinks and that we will not recognize any Bro in our annual meetings who favors the sale or use of this poison.

Report on Periodicals read—remrrks by Rev J. A. Speight, Editor of Asheville Baptist said: I am glad to meet you my Bapt. brethren bacause I'm a Baptist. We are all kinsfolk. We are peculiar too in that we believe what no other people in the world do–i. e.–that some day, eveay body will go down into the water and be baptized."

Much was said by lay members as well as ministers, in favor of our paper at Asheville, and time was given the Editor to take subscriptions.

REPORT

There being good religious papers in the reach of all, none need be without them. No person can keep up with the times without reading good relsgious literature.

It is useless to name all the good papers in our reach, but especially would we recommend the Ashevill Baptist and urge all to take the same and read it.

Resp'tfully
A. W. Beck,

Adopted.

Report on Finance rerd and adopted as fallows—

Green Mountain 79 cts., River-side $1.10, Ebenezer 50 cts, Saluda 60 cts., Fork Creek $1.15 Refuge $1.25, Mountain Hill $1.00. Green River 50 cts., Boilston $1.00 Crab Creek 55 ctr., Bear Wallow 55 cts., Mt. Olivet $1.00, Salem $1.50, Cross Roads $1.00, Friendship 90 cts., Mountain Page 92 cts., Mountain Valley 70 cts., Mt. Moriah 60 cts., Mt. Gilead 70 cts.,* Oak Grove $1.00, Beulah $1 50, Pleasant Grove No. 2, 40 cts., Middle Fork 50 cts., Mud Creek 80 cts., Shaws Creek $1.50, H'ville $1.37, Holly Springs 50 cts., Golden Hill $1.00, French Broad $1.15, Double Spsings 60 cts., Mills River $1.00, Barnwell 50 cts.,. Total $28.04.

J. I. Davis
T. M. Stewart

* 20 cts., were added to Mt. Gilead after the committee made their report. Clk.

Adjourn 1 hour—

After-noon 3rd. day

Body called to arder. By motion the Clerk was ordeaed to use the advertisements of the Am Bap. Pub. Society in the Minutes, as proposed by them.

Report on Time, Place, and Annual Sermon, read and rdopted—

REPORT.

Time, Thursday cefore 2nd Sunday in Oct. 1892–Place, Mt. Moriah 10 mi. east of H'ville. Introductory Sermon by Rev. J. W. Anderson, Alt. R. M. Gilbert.

L. C. Hamilton
Samuel Sentell
W. S. Williams

The hour having arrived for the consideration of the repart on Temperence it was again postponed till night session. Report on Sunday Schools read and made special order for 9.30 to-morrow morning. Report on Education read— Remarks by Dr.

R. H. Lewis, Ed. Speight, Rev. D. A. Glenn.

REPORT— We are glad to say there is an increasing interest in the cause of Education in our mountain country. Our brethren are becoming, more and more, alive to the importance of educating their children and thus preparing them for the duties of life. The time has come when we must educate, or be left far behind in the onward movement to lift our race, and bless humanity. We recommend to you, Judson College, as worthy of your sympathy, prayers, and prtronage. This College has already done much to elevate, and develope our people both mentally and spiritually. Worthy sons and daughters have gone forth from her classic halls, who are bright and shining lights in their communities; yet we must confess that the College has not the sympathy, nor the patronage it ought to have. What can we do to increase this inetrest and strengthen this institution? We would call attention to the importance of Ministerial Education. We can not expect the few to rise above the pulpit. The great need of our country is an Educated Ministry—more men who have been taught, that they may be better able to teach.

D. A. Glenn,
T. H. Plemmons,
P. T. Ward

The following resolution was here offered by Rev G. S. Jones as an amendment to the report on Education. Resolved: That Judson College located within the bounds of the Association, shall henceforth have our advocacy and sympathy, and as we value the results already attained, we will co-operate in the efforts that may be made, in placing this institution on the high road of increased usefulness.

Report as amended adopted.

Bro. Frank Woodfin and Prof. W. A. G. Brown were here extended the courtesies of the floor— By motion the Hist. was allowed some days to hand in his report.

Report on Church Letters read and adopted.

Report –Contributions for For-Mis-	$54-34
Home and Con-Mis-	38-93¼
Education	13-33
Orphanage-	14-60
Other Benevolent purposes	28-78
Total.	$ 149-98¼

Number baptized. 111

Respectfully submitted

N-Buckner J-A-Statou J-L-Hyder

Report of Treasurer read and adopted as follows: Oct. 11, th, 1890.

Received of P. T. Ward, former Treasurer.	$ 8.50
,, Broad River Church.	1 50
,, Finance Committee	29 17
Collection at Salem Association	34.78
Received from Mt. Gileard Church	2.40
Total	$ 76.35

Oct. 11,th, 1890

Paid to R. A. Freeman	$ 5.00
,, A. H. Cobb.—for Orphanage	5 26
,, ,, Con. Mis.	8.90
,, for Hooper's Creek Church.	3.15
,, A. H. Cobb For. Mis.	5 35
,, for Broad River Church	1.50
,, for For. Mis.	20.62
,, for printing Minutes	23.00
,, for Registering letter	.12
,, for Mt. Gileard.	2.40
Total	$ 75.30
Bal. on hand	$ 1.05

Respectfully submitted

John T Sales, Tres.

Repot on Associational Missions read as follows : Your committee on Associational missions observe that very little has been done as regards Associational missions and in view of the very great need of missionary work in our bounds. We recommend that a missionary be appointed to labor, in the most destitute, places in our bounds, at least three months in the year and his salary be one dollar per day, and that he collect his salary on the field if possible: the Association to be responsible for any deficit. Signed by committee A motion was then carried to allow the missionary $ 1.50 per day, and pledges were taken to supplement his collections on the field.—Pledges–Salem $ 5.00, Mud Creek, Oak Grove Mt. Olivet Mt. Gilliad, Mills River Hendersonville Green Mountain Bear Wallow Mt. Moriah Ebenezer each $ 5 00 —Pleasant Grove $ 300 Barnville 2.00 Individual Revs. A. E Brown John Ammons. T C .Holsclow Bro W. B. Case Prof. W. A. G. Brown each $5.00 . Rev W.B .Johnson $ 1.00 Total $ 86 00 . Report adopted By motion the clk. was instructed to inform the Conventional Board of the appointment of a missionary and ask that his appointment be recognized.

Resolution by J. S .Rhodes –Resolved That Mod. appoint a committee of three to draft a form for church letters and have it printed in the minutes' this form to be on the last page, to be detached for the purpose of sending up to the Association–Passed J .S .Rhodes Com. Resolution on Temperance, by Rev T. C. Holsclow set for tonight . By motion the Rev. D . A .Glenn was .added to the Associational Board. Adjourned to night session . Prayer by Rev. J . A Speight. Night session- 7 o'clock House called to order by singing- Prayer by Rev John Ammons. By motion the clk. was allowed $ 5-00 for compiling and $ 4-00 for mailing minutes. By motion Bros. C-M.Gallamore and E.L.Mullanax were welcomed to seats with us -Report on Temperance re-read - Speeches limited to five minutes -The floor was then occupied,one after another by quite all of the ministers present and several lay brethren, in earnest speeches on the subject - The Report as amended by the resolution of Rev. T-C-Holsclow, heartily adopted –Adjourned by singing "Praise God from whom all blessings flow" -Prayer by Rev.Adam Corn.

Sunday morning Oct- 11, 1891- Body called together by singing Hymn: "Jesus Lover of my Soul - Prayer by Rev-Frank Woodfin. SUNDAY-SCHOOL REPORT -as follows : Your committee find that most of the churches have Sunday-schools, but these might be made more efficient·

The Sunday School affords a means of christian culture that even the pulpit can not supply. The living teacher with an open Bible, is a power, the results of which, are incalculable. Observation shows; that the Sunday School work is inseparable from the progress and growth of the churches, so let each church maintain a good Sunday School in its midst and to secure the best results, we advise the use of the 'Lesson Helps" which may be had from the Am. Bap. Pub. Society or the S. S. Board at Nashville Tenn. Twenty-two churches report Sunday Schools, with seventy-four officers and teachers. One thousand and ninety-one scholars. Thirty eight conversions among the attendants—commendable progress in this work is shown.

G. S. Jones,
D. B. Andrews,
M. L. Barnwell.

Speeches limited to five minutes. Dr. Lewis said; "This is the place to let your light shine". Rev. A. E. Brown; "It is a practical purifier." The Clerk; It is the most potent means of begetting an intelligent ministry." Rev. John Ammons; 'Let the minister attend the Sunday School." Editor J. A. Speight; "Older persons are often justly criticised by Sunday School children."

Rev-Frank Woodfin "I'm at home and don't want to occupy your time ;but I am in the line -I don't work as much as I should ; but ministers must study or fall behind the Sunday-school student- The literature is good help .but the Bible is over anb above all -teach your children the Bible cited Timothy -Rev- J- H- Plemmons "I'm in favor of S- S- literature -i-e- Baptist literature in Baptist Sunday-school Baptist churches.

J. M. Hamric: "I cannot make a speech but I can stand up for Sunday Schools". W. B. Case: "The best information I ever got, was in the Sunday School".

——Barnwell; "I have labored in the interest of the children several years—success depends upon your earnestness". Report adopted. Resolution by Rev. A. E. Brown:

Resolved: That we, the delegates and visitors to the Association hereby express our thanks for the elegant hospitality shown us by the good people of Boilston'

By motion the chair appointed Rev J. L. Brookshire, W. B. Johnson and Dr. R. H. Lewis as delegates to the W. B. Convention at Waynesville 22nd Oct. 1891.

Dr. R. H. Lewis was appointed delegate to the S. B Convention at Atlanta, Ga. Rev. J. L. Brookshire Alt. By motion, any Bro. who may attend sister Associations may be recognized as a correspondant from this Assoication. Report on Union Meetings to be forwarded the clerk soon, by Rev. G. W. Mace. Report adopted.

By motion, adjourn to meet at Time and place as per report of committee.

Rev. W. B. Johnson Mod.

R. A Freeman Clk.

Missionary Sermon by Rev. J. A. Speight. Text–Eph.5: 25-26. Collection $6 33.

ORDAINED MINISTERS.

Richard Hudgins,	Bat Cave,	N. C.
F. C. Hamric,	Pump,	"
W. J. Wilkie'	Fletcher,	"
James Blythe,	Saluda,	"
J. L. Brookshire,	Flat Rock,	"
R. M. Gilbert.	Edneyville,	"
G. W. Mace,	Bowmans Bluff,	"
J. A. Staton,	Blue Ridge,,	"
N. W. Corn,	Zirconia,	"
G. W Johnson,	Hendersonville,	"
J. L McCarson,	"	"
G. S. Jones,	"	"
D. A. Glenn,	"	"
E. R. Nelson,	"	"
P. A. Kuykendall,	Green River,	"
John Hyder,	"	"
J. R. Rhodes,	Saluda,	"
William Jones,	Flat Rock,	"
W. M. Allen,	Fletcher,	"
L. C. Hamilton,	Knight,	"
R. F. Hamilton,	"	"
H. G. Patton,	Green River,	"
T. J. Waters,	Upward,	"
W. B. Johnson,	Grandeur,	S. C.

LICENTIATES

W. G. Gray,	Knight,	N. C.
M. M. Staton,	Saluda,	"
H. W. Vernon,	Mills River,	"
S. F. Moore,	Pump,	"
W. S. Grant,	"	"
J. R. Staton,	Zirconia,	"
W. H. Davis,	Hendersonville,	"

CONSTITUTION.

We, the members of the Baptist Church of Jesus Christ, who have, on profession of our faith in Him, been immersed, believing that the Holy Scriptures are the only standard of faith and duty for Christians, enjoying as they do, zealous and continued effort in promoting the cause of our blessed Lord, do now unite in this association, under this Constitution, for the advancement of the objects therein stated.

ARTICLE I. This Association shall be called the Carolina Baptist Association, and shall be composed of representatives chosen by each church in the Union, from among the number of its own members, who shall carry to each meeting of the body certificates of their election, with a statement of the membership, conditions and prospects of the church they represent, the names of its licensed and ordained ministers, and such contributions as have been made for benevolent objects, which shall be appropriated only as the donors may direct.

ART. II. This Association shall meet annually, and shall be organized as soon as the names of the representatives are enrolled, by the election of a moderator, clerk treasurer and historian, by ballot, who shall hold office until the next annual meeting.

ART. III. Each church shall be entitled to a representation of three delegates, and an additional one for every fifty members in excess of one hundred, and all ordained ministers shall have seats as delegates.

ART. IV. The Association shall be governed by such rules of order as it may from time to time adopt.

ART V. Any church holding the principles of the doctrines of Christ, and the order of His house, as generally held by those denominated Baptists, may connect itself with this Association at any meeting of the same.

ART VI. The decisions of the Association shall,in all cases, except in the matter of amendments to the Constitution, be made by a majority vote, but amendments to the Constitution must be adopted by a two-third vote. Amendments may be adopted at any meeting of the Association.

ART. VII. The Association reserves the inalienable right to withdraw from any church that abandons the principles of this organization.

ART .VIII This Association holds the churches of Christ, though not possessed of any soverign authority are nevertheless in their government, independent of each other and of all other ecclesiastical organizations, and accountable to no tribunal but to Christ only, and holds that while it is the duty of all churches, in temporal matters, to be obedient to the laws of the land, spiritual matters, they should be obedient alone to Jesus Christ, their only Head and Law-Giver.

ART IX. While the Association holds that each church is an independent body as above stated ,it rather regards itself as an advisory council, but,will not, presume to dictate for the churches, but will give counsel, which the churches may receive or reject; but the Association is of opinion that the best mode of settling difference between churches is to take the same scriptural steps as are prescribed for the settling of difficulties between members; tha the church that feels aggrieved shall send a statement of the cause of grievance to the sister church which gave the offence, and if it will not give Christian satisfaction, call upon one or two sister churches to assist in a settlement , and if the offending church will not listen, then report the same to this body, which will not pay any attention to such complaints unless the above course of procedure has been complied with.

ART. X. This Association will not admit or receive any church into membership in the Union that is known to be in disorder, or composed of members excluded from another church of the same order of this association.

ART XI. Any church in good standing in this Association shall, at any time, be allowed the privilege of withdrawing from the same by letter.

ART XII This Association may correspond and form a brotherly union with any Baptist organization holding similar views of doctrines and duty with those held by this body.

ART XIII. This Association may appoint as many boards or committees as may be necessary for carrying on the business and accomplishing the objects of its organ-

ization. These when so appointed, shall make reports at the times appointed by the Association.

ART. XIV. The minutes shall be read and corrected, if necessary, in the morning of each day of the session, and at the close of the last day.

ART. XV. As the business of the Association must be finished before its adjournment, no member shall be allowed to depart from any of its session without leave.

ART. XVI. The objects of the Association shall be the circulation of the Scriptures in destitute places, the encouragement and aid of foreign, home, conventional and associational missions, education, Sunday schools and temperance.

ART. XVII. This Association shall keep a book in which this Constitution and a minute of each session shall be recorded, which book shall be present at every meeting of the Association.

RULES OF ORDER.

1. The annual meetings of the Association shall open by singing and prayer at half past ten o'clock on Thursday before the second Sunday in October in each year. At this hour the moderator, or in his absence the clerk, shall call the members to order, when the certificates will be presented, and the names of the members enrolled. This body will then be organized by the election of officers, and thus organized; attend upon the introductory discourse, at the close of which the association will take recess or proceed to business.

2. The order of business is to open the door: 1, for membership. 2, for correspondence. 3. for any business coming up regularly.

3. The association shall, on each day, open and close with prayer by the moderator, or a brother, at his request. The title of "brother" shall be used in all the meetings of this body.

4. The moderator shall preside in the meetings of the body, keep and decide questions of order, subject to appeal from members.

5. Questions shall be decided by "aye" or "no," doubtful cases by the rising of the members to their feet until they are counted.

6. The moderator shall appoint all committees, except those ordered by ballot.

7. In all cases by ballot, the moderator may vote; in other cases he may not unless the body be equally devided or unless his vote, if given to the minority, will make the division equal, and in that case the question shall be lost.

8. A member may, on motion, submit any subject to the consideration of the association that relates to its design or objects, and if seconded, it shall receive due consideration, except it be withdrawn by the mover with the consent of the body.

9. If two or more members shall rise to speak at the same time, the moderator shall decide the priority of right.

10. If a member shall violate any of these rules, any member may, but the moderator shall, call him to order.

11. No member shall speak on the same subject oftener than twice, without leaf of the association, except to explain.

12. A member, in making a motion, speaking, or in debate, shall rise and address the moderator respectfully.

13. When a motion is made and seconded, it shall be stated by the moderator before debate.

14. When the moderator is putting the question, or addressing the body no member shall walk out or across the house; nor when a member is speaking, enter into private conversation or pass between the speaker and the moderator, but all are required to pay strict attention.

Statistical and

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	CLERKS.	POSTOFFICES	Meeting Days.	Baptized	Rec'd Letter	Restored
Boilston	T. C. Halsclaw	A. C. M 'Kinna	Boylston N. C	2	6	4	
Bear Wallow	J. L. Brookshire	J. M Hamric	Pump "	4	-	2	
Beulah	L. C. Hammilton	H. D. Drake	Bowmans Bluff "	1	4	3	6
Barnwell	J. A. Staton	S. L. Laugton	Pump "	2	-	-	1
Cross Roads	W. H. Jones	W. A. Fortune	Green River "	3	4	-	2
Crab Creek	E. R. Nelson	J. L. Evans	Delmont "	2	-	5	
Double Springs	J. T. Singleton	G. B. Hudson	Splendor "	3	4	-	
Ebenezer	J. L. Brookshire	J. J. Blythe	Hendersonville "	3	2	3	
Friendship	James Blythe	T H. Williams	Saluda "	2	-	-	
French Broad	W. H. Rich	J. C. Morgan	Hendersonville "	1	-	1	
Fork Creek	J. R. Rhodes	B. F. Turner	Saluda "	2	-	1	
Green River	W. B. Johnson	T. T. Morris	Zirconia "	2	-	2	
Green Mountain	J. L. Brookshire	J. W. Freeman	Fruitland "	1	-	-	
Golden Hill	W. H. Jones	J. H. Hill	Blue Ridge "	2	10	-	
Hendersonville	D. A. Glenn	A. B. Freeman	Hendersonville "	1234	19	20	
Holly Springs	L. C. Hamilton	S. D. Osteen	Bowmans Bluft "	3	-	1	
Mountain Hill	P. A. Keykendall	W. C. Lindsey	Glassy S C.	4	-	-	12
Mountain Page	John Leverett	G. W. Pruitt	" "	4	19	4	
Mountain Valley	W. H. Jones	T. E. Pace	Fish Top N. C.	1	8	-	
Mt. Olivet	W. B. Johnson	J. C. Ward	Flat Rock "	4	-	2	1
Mt. Giliad	E. J. Morgan	J S. Rhodes	Angeline "	4	-	6	
Mt. Moriah	J. R. Rhodes	G. W. Ledbetter	Edneyville "	4	4	3	1
Mills River	T. C. Halsclaw	M. L. Underwood	Sitton "	3	13	3	
Mud Creek	J. R Rhodes	L. B. C. Brookshire	Flat Rock "	1	3	9	
Middle Fork	J. A. Staton	W. T. Huntley	Bear Wallow "	1	-	4	
Oak Grove	J. R. Rhodes	T. E. Waters	Upward "	3	6	1	
Pleasant Grove	E. J. Morgan	F. M. Moore	Pink Beds "	4	-	-	
River-side	T. C. Halsclaw	M. H. Owenby	Horse Shoe "	1	-	2	
Refug	James Blythe	G. F Clark	Blue Ridge "	2	8	6	
Shaws Creek	J. L Hyder	W. D. Rymer	Hendersonville"	4	1	5	2
Saluda	James Blythe	J. D. Davis	Saluda "	2	-	-	
Salem	J. L. Brookshire	J T. Sales	Fetcher "	-	-	-	
* Liberty	———	———	———	-	-	-	
* Broad River	———	———	———	-	-	-	
* Hoopers Creek	———	———	———	-	-	-	
* Cedar Springs	———	———	———	-	-	-	
* Pleasant Grove	———	———	———	-	-	-	
			Total	111	86	25	1

* N t Represented.

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Males	Famales	Total Mem.	Organized	Home Missions	For. Missions	Asso. Missions	Education	Orphanage	Minute Fund	Pastors Salary	Other benevolent objects	Val. of Church Property	Ord. Ministers	Licentiates
60	76	136	1861	$2.50	$2.50		—		1 00	50	$9.00		1	–
42	55	97	—	2.50	5 00		—		.55	50.			1	–
74	129	203	—	—	2.00		—		1.50	12 ½			–	–
15	22	37	1882	—			—		.50	–			–	–
31	33	64	—	—			—		1 00	–			2	–
72	86	158	1834	—			—		.55	–			1	–
39	73	112	—	–			—		.60	–			1	1
38	67	105	—	—			—		.55	–			–	–
35	59	94	1841	—			—		.90	–			–	–
16	24	40	1792	—	5.60		—		1.15	36	8 00		–	–
14	5	19	1891	—			—		1 15	–			–	–
32	48	80	1837	—	1.35		—		.50	–			1	1
59	57	116	1876	2 00	5.00		—		.70	50.			–	–
20	40	60	—	—			—	2 00	1 00	–		150.	1	–
52	68	120	1844	8.33	8 33		8 33		1 37	600.		60000	2	–
—	-	59	—	—			—		.50	18.		200	1	1
32	65	97	—	—			—		1.00	25.			–	–
—	-	313	—	—			—		.92	–			–	–
24	41	65	—	—			—		70	20.			–	–
54	43	97	—	—	.95		—		1 00	–			–	–
34	58	92	—	—	5.38	2.40	—		.70	60.			–	–
98	109	207	1839	—			—		.60	–		250.	–	–
55	69	124	1835	2 00	2.27		—	3.63	1 00	72.			–	–
27	49	76	—	—			—		.80	–			–	–
26	53	79	1886	—	.90		—		.50	–	15.00		–	1
7	49	86	—	—		2.10	—		1 00	50.			4	–
8	10	18	—	5 00			—		.40	–			–	–
24	28	52	1888	2 50	2.75		—	4 75	1.10	42.			–	–
112	182	294	—	—			—		1 25	–			2	–
49	78	127	—	—	5 00		—		1 50	–			2	–
10	18	28	—	—			—		.60	–			–	–
43	74	117	—	5 00	5 00	6 61	—	6.00	1 58	65.	5.75		1	–
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FINANCIAL TABLE.

Rec'd by Lette	Restored	Dismissed.	Excluded.	Dead.	Males.	Females.	Total Membership	Organized.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Education.	Minute Fund.	Other Benevolent objects.	Pastor's Salary.	Value of Church Property.	Asso'n Missions.	Ordained Ministers.	Licentiates.	Repairing Church.
...	....	4	1	....	51	84	135	1861	$.....	$2.30	$.....	$1.00	$17.55	$28.10	$.....	$.....	....	....	$8.95
5	1	4	9	1	32	53	85	1866	1.50	.....	.....	1.10	.....	22.75	.....	.....	....	....	.....
6	....	11	1	1	46	54	100	....	6.65	13.35	.....	.70	10.00	50.00	.....	.....	1	....	.....
1	....	4	4	2	73	126	199	....	.....	.....	.....	1.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	....	.....
...	....	2	2	....	17	25	42	1882	.....	.....	.....	.65	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	....	.....
3	1	1	....	....	32	31	63	....	.....	.....	.....	1.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	....	.....
2	....	3	1	1	69	90	159	1834	.....	.....	.....	.75	.....	.....	400.	.....	3	....	.....
...	....	4	1	1	40	66	106	....	.....	.....	.....	.70	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	....	.....
3	1	3	....	2	42	65	107	....	.....	.....	.....	.55	11 54	55 00	.....	.....	....	....	.....
...	....	2	....	4	38	65	103	1841	.....	.....	.....	1.35	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	....	.....
...	....	4	5	2	16	24	40	1792	.....	.....	.....	.90	5.00	86 00	.....	.....	....	....	.....
4	1	3	1	1	33	50	83	1838	.....	1 53	.....	.70	5 95	.....	.....	.....	....	....	.....
2	....	13	2	1	59	59	118	1876	5 00	5 00	.....	.47	.....	50 00	.....	.....	....	2	.....
22	....	....	....	....	....	....	116	....	12.50	50 00	6.00	2.00	25.00	.....	.....	.....	....	....	.....
...	....	16	....	1	....	....	55	....	1.50	1.65	.....	.65	8.15	.....	.....	.....	....	....	.....
4	....	....	1	....	....	....	59	....	.....	.....	.....	.50	.....	18 00	.....	.....	....	....	.....
5	10	5	3	....	35	71	106	1867	.....	..	.....	.80	.....	25.00	100.	.....	1	1	.....
2	....	....	....	1	43	55	98	....	.....	.....	.....	.75	.....	25.00	.....	.....	....	....	.....
..	1	11	1	4	136	155	291	....	.....	.....	.....	2.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	1	.....
4	2	3	3	1	99	110	209	....	.....	.....	.....	.60	.....	.....	250.	.....	....	....	.....
6	3	....	5	....	34	50	84	1886	2.50	2.50	.....	.50	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	1	.....
2	1	1	2	2	25	41	66	1812	..	.....	.....	1.00	.....	50.00	.....	.....	....	....	.....
4	....	5	1	....	49	70	119	1835	2.78	5.00	2.69	.80	5.00	72 00	.....	.....	....	....	.....
6	1	....	1	2	35	60	90	1883	.....	2.50	.....	.75	2.17	65.00	.....	.....	....	....	.....
4	....	3	1	....	40	49	89	....	.....	.....	.....	1.00	.....	50.00	.....	5.00	4	....	.....
1	....	9	1	....	11	12	23	1879	.....	.81	.....	.40	.....	50.00	.....	.....	....	....	.....
6	....	4	...	1	27	58	85	....	.....	.....	.....	.80	24.00	.....	.....	.....	....	....	.....
6	....	2	....	2	111	178	289	....	.....	.....	.....	1.25	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	....	.....
8	2	8	....	....	25	28	53	....	.....	.....	.....	1.00	.....	.....	100	.....	....	....	.....
3	1	2	2	2	53	78	131	1873	.....	.....	.....	1.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	1	70.00
..	....	....	....	....	11	18	29	1888	.....	.....	.....	.90	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	....	.....
9	....	3	....	3	46	80	126	1838	.....	8.28	5.00	1.50	14.00	65.00	1000	.....	1	....	.....
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1	8	25	133	48	35	1230	1905	3435		$32.43	$92.92	$13.69	$29 07	128.36	711.85	$18.50	5.00	16	7	$78.95

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	Plan.	No. of Officers.	No. of Teachers.	No. of Scholars.	Scholars converted.	Amt. paid for support of School.	Average attendance
Boilston	Baptist	..	...	100	8	$13.00	65
Broad River	"	7	..	41	....	1.86	33
Bear Wallow	"	4	5	120	....	10.00	60
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ASSOCIATIONAL BOARD.

J. Williams, Wm. F. Robinson, W. B. Case and S. B. Nanney.

SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD.

Rev. G. S. Jones, J. B. F. Pace, J. C. Morgan and Rev. J. G. Stepp.

The next session of this Association will be held at Crab Creek church, seven miles southwest of Hendersonville, N. C., on Thursday before the second Sunday in October, 1893, at 10:30 a. m.

PROCEEDINGS.

MT. MORIAH CHURCH, HENDERSON COUNTY, N. C., }
Thursday, October 6, 1892. }

THE CAROLINA BAPTIST ASSOCIATION convened this day, at 10:30 a. m., with the Mt. Moriah church, Moderator W. B. Johnson in the chair.

Sang "What a friend we have in Jesus."

Read the 103d Psalm. Sang "All hail the power of Jesus' name." Prayer by Rev. D. A. Glenn.

The Moderator appointed Revs. J. W. Anderson, G. S. Jones, D. A. Glenn, and brethren J. B. Freeman and H. D. Drake, a committee on credentials.

The chair then appointed J. L. Brookshire and J. P. McKinna reading clerks, and letters were read from the several churches, and delegates names enrolled, as follows:

Boilston—Rev. T. C. Holsclaw, H. C. Baynard and S. V. Brown.

Bear Wallow—L. H. Freeman, J. M. Hamric, R. A. Freeman, J. F. Laughter, Rev. F. C. Hamric.

Beulah—H. D. Drake.

Barnwell—S. L. Laughter, J. F. Merrell, J. R. Rhodes.

Cross Roads—C. J. Heatherly.

Crab Creek—P. P. Evans, Elisha Osteen, W. C. Rains.

Double Springs—J. W. Ward, N. J. Cambell.

Ebenezer—J. J. Blythe, John Collins.

Friendship—J. E. Guice.

French Broad—E. L. Allen, J. C. Morgan, James Allen.

Fork Creek—B. F. Turner, J. L. Pace.

Green River—Elders W. B. Johnson, N. W. Corn.

Green Mountain—L. P. Pattillo, J. B. Freeman, S. M. Gilliam, A. Garren.

Golden Hill—John Case, R. D. Taylor.

Hendersonville—Rev. D. A. Glenn, Rev. G. S. Jones, W. A. Smith, A. B. Freeman.

Hooper's Creek—Jas. Garren.

Holly Springs—S. D. Osteen, R. F. Hamilton, jr.

Mountain Hill—James Lindsey.

Mountain Page—J. B. Ward, H. W. Staton, A. T. Hart, R. B. Hipps.

Mt. Valley—W. P. Stepp, Joseph Newman.

Mt. Olivet—James Jones.

Mt. Gilaed—H. W. Vernon, R. I. Taylor.

Mt. Moriah—J. H. Justice, Wm. Jackson, W. B. Williams, T. Dalton, J. R. Wilkie.

Mills River—M. D. Barnett, T. J. Allen.

Mud Creek—W. E. Jackson.

Oak Grove—John Kuykendall, J. B. Justice.

Pleasant Hill—J. W. Anderson, J. P. McKinna, John Robert Brown.

Pleasant Grove No. 2—T. M. Stuart, John Moore.

Riverside—W. B. Case, T. L. Holden.

Refuge—J. W. Staton, Benj. Williams, Reuben Brock.

Shaws Creek—W. J. Davis, W. D. Rhymer, M. E. Cox.

Salem—R. T. Tow, J. N. Suttles, C. J. Baldwin.

Broad River—Letter referred to committee on credentials.

Middle Fork—Two letters. Referred to committee on credentials. Letters tabled on the recommendation of the committee on credentials.

ELECTION OF OEFICERS.

Rev. J. F. Woodfin and J. R. Wilkie were appointed to act as tellers for the election of moderator.

B. F. Turner and A. T. Hart for clerk.

J. M. Hamrick and Rev. J. R. Rhodes for treasurer.

Rev. J. L. Brookshire for historian.

The tellers reported the election of Dr. R. A. Freeman for moderator; J. P. McKinna, clerk; N. Buckner, treasurer; Rev. G. S. Jones, historian.

Former moderator, Rev. W. B. Johnson, after a few feeling remarks retired from the chair, and brother Freeman takes the same in a christian spirit.

The door of the Association was then opened for the reception of churches, and Bat Cave, a newly constituted church, presented a letter, was received and her delegates—J. H. Freeman, M. A. Barnwell, J. A. Williams and Elder R. Hudgins—welcomed to a seat.

On motion, the introductory sermon was dispensed with until to-night at candle-lighting.

Moderator appointed as a committee on preaching the pastor and deacons of Mt. Moriah church.

Called for correspondents and received brother John P. Morgan, from the Buncombe Association, Corresponding Secretary of the Western Baptist Convention, and Rev. E. L. Taylor, from the Green River Association.

The moderator appointed the following committees:

On Finance—Rev. J. L. Brookshire, J. M. Hamric and J. R. Wilkie.

On Home and Conventional Missions—Rev. G. S. Jones and John P. Morgan.

On Church Letters—R. T. Tow, Rev. J. A. Staton and A. T. Hart.

By motion, made Saturday 10 a. m. the hour for home and conventional missions.

By motion, adjourned to meet Friday at 9:30 a. m.

Prayer by Rev. J. R. Rhodes.

THURSDAY NIGHT.

Introductory sermon by Rev. J. W. Anderson. Text: Matt. 20:7—"Go ye also into the vineyard, and whatsoever is right, that shall ye receive."

SECOND DAY.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 7TH.

The Association met as per adjournment.

Religious exercises conducted by John P. Morgan.

House called to order by the moderator.

Called for church letters. Friendship and Saluda presented letters and delegates names enrolled.

By motion clerk allowed until Saturday morning to arrange minutes of yesterday.

The moderator proceeded to appoint the following committees:

On Education—J. F. Woodfin, M. D. Barnett, J. P. Morgan and W. J. Davis.

On Foreign Missions—D. A. Glenn, J. I. Davis, John W. Staton.

On Temperance—J. B. Freeman, T. C. Holsclaw and L. H. Freeman.

On Nomination—J. R. Rhodes, W. H. Vernon and H. C. Baynard.

On Periodicals—J. W. Anderson. W. J. Davis and W. A. Smith.

On State of Religion—J. J. Blythe, R. F. Hamilton, jr., and W. B. Johnson.

On Sunday-schools—W. B. Case, J. H. Freeman and J. O. Wall.

On Obituaries—W. E. Jackson, W. D. Rhymer and J. C. Morgan.

On Baptist Orphanage—B. F. Turner, W. B. Johnson and T. C. Holsclaw.

On Union Meetings—E. L. Allen, H. C. Patton and H. D. Drake.

The committee on preaching reported that Rev. W. B. Johnson would preach at 11 o'clock a. m. to-day.

Called for correspondents and Elder Elbert Jackson, from the Green River Association, accepted a seat with us.

Adjourned for preaching and recess until 1 p. m.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON.

After singing "Blessed assurance" and "What a wonderful Saviour," the body was called to order and resumed the order of the Association.

The committee on time and place reported the following:

We, your committee on time and place of our next Association, recommend that the next annual session of the Carolina Association be held with Crab Creek church, seven and a half miles southwest of Hendersonville, on Thursday before the second Sunday in October, 1893, and that Rev. J. F. Woodfin preach the introductory sermon, Rev. J. R. Rhodes alternate.

Respectfully submitted,

W. C. RAINES, Chairman.

Report of Rev. J. L. Brookshire as Associational Missionary read as follows:

I report the following as missionary of the Carolina Association: Days labored, 59; sermons preached, 61; prayer-meetings held, 21; religious visits, 28; baptized, 27; collected on the field and from the pledges made, $55.31; balance due, $33.19.

J. L. BROOKSHIRE.

The following was raised to liquidate the debt: Green Mountain, $1; Bear Wallow, $1; French Broad, $1; Hendersonville, $5; Mt. Moriah, $1.45; Mills River, $6; Mud Creek, $2; Oak Grove, $1; Refuge, $2; Shaws Creek, $2; Salem, $1; Rev. F. C. Hamric, $1 for Hooper's Creek; J. H. Freeman, $1 for Bat Cave; Rev. J. R. Rhodes, $1 for Fork Creek; Liberty, 50 cents; Mountain Page, $1.25; Rev. W. B. Johnson, $1; Mrs. R. A. Freeman, 50 cents; miscellaneous collection, $2.49. Total, $33.19. Report adopted.

At this time the moderator was informed of the presence of Rev. J. T. Singleton, of the North Greenville (S. C.) Association. He was invited to and accepted a seat with us.

The committee on credentials then reported the following:

We, your committee, report that the church at Broad River received the party who seems to have given the offence, in good faith, and it further seems that the meeting that granted the letter to the offender was irregular. With due respect to the delegate of the above named church, we do not believe that the delegates from Broad River church, according to Article 10 of our Constitution, are eligible to seats in this Association.

As to Middle Fork church: In the absence of requisite information as to the merits of the case in Middle Fork church, referred to the special committee, we therefore beg leave to report advising the

Association to table the two letters, and also advise the church to settle its difficulties among themselves, or call the aid of neighboring churches. J. W. ANDERSON, Chairman.

Report adopted.

The committee on Finance submitted the following report, which was adopted:

REPORT ON FINANCE.

We, your committee on Finance, find that the churches have sent up for printing minutes $30.48. (For amount sent by each church see statistical table.) Respectfully submitted,

J. L. BROOKSHIRE, Chairman.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

Your committee on education regret that they have not had time to put in suitable words their sentiments on this important subject. We note with pleasure the marked improvement in the way of education in our Baptist families; but we cannot be faithful without calling attention to the fact that there is an amount of ignorance among our people that is inexcusable, shameful and sinful, and we deplore the fact that our people will not avail themselves of the opportunities they have for the training of their children for usefulness in the work of the most high God, and render them fit companions of men. There are no children within our bounds that cannot have at least a fair education, and we believe their parents will be held accountable before God, if they do not attain it.

Good books are cheap and should be found in every household, and the children inspired to read them. Can the blind lead the blind? Shall the churches license men to preach who will not study to show themselves approved unto God workmen that need not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word and giving to each one his portion in due season. "Lay hands suddenly on no man."

We are proud to call attention to the splendid educational facilities afforded our people at Judson College, Mars Hill and Fairview, and are pursuaded that we can look to Judson College, under its present management, with more hope than at any time in its past history. Respectfully submitted,

J. F. WOODFIN, Chairman.

After interesting speeches by W. A. Smith, J. P. Morgan and J. M. Hamric, the report was adopted.

Announced on preaching to-night Rev. J. T. Singleton at Dalton's school house. Sang "Meet me there." Adjourned until to-morrow at 9:30 a. m.

THIRD DAY.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 8, 1892.

Met pursuant to adjournment. Devotional exercises conducted by Rev. J. F. Woodfin.

The body called to order by the moderator. Read and approved minutes. Called roll of delegates and marked absentees.

Called for correspondents. Revs. J. F. Woodfin and A. J. Corn, from the Transylvania Association; Rev. T. J. Brock and brother J. B. Wall, from the Buncombe Association, accepted seats with us.

Report on Home and Conventional Missions, read by John P. Morgan, and amended by a resolution offered by J. B. Freeman.

At this juncture the chair was informed of the presence of Rev. Dr. J. A. Spaight, editor of the Asheville Baptist, who, after a few entertaining remarks, accepted a seat with us.

Then speeches were made to the report by John P. Morgan and G. S. Jones. Report adopted.

REPORT ON HOME AND CONVENTIONAL MISSIONS.

It is becoming pretty generally known that Home Missions signifies the mission work of the Southern Baptist Convention, conducted through its Board located at Atlanta, Ga. During the last year the Board had under appointment 365 missionaries. These were scattered over the southern states, Indian Territory, New Mexico and Oklahoma. These missionaries baptized during the year 5,274, total additions 11,247, constituted 179 churches. Included in this is the mission work in Cuba. Our work in this island continues with interest. Year by year our cause is securing a strong hold upon the masses of the people. The purchase of property in the heart of the city of Havanah has furnished our Baptist people with an attractive house of worship. This insures to the public mind the permanency of our cause in Cuba.

Conventional missions is the work being done in the thirteen counties west of the Blue Ridge. This is the territory of the Western North Carolina Convention. The Board is located at Asheville. The Board closed its last year's work in debt, and owing to the hard times and scarcity of money the Board has not been able to do the work it would like to have done.

The Board has in the field at this time two missionaries. Rev. S. H. Harrington, located at Murphy. Murphy is a central and an important point. We can't afford to wait but must rally to the front and build a suitable house of worship there.

Rev. W. M. Jamison is doing a good work as missionary and colportuer in Yancey and Madison.

The prospects for the next year are hopeful.

G. S. JONES, Chairman.

RESOLVED, That this Association take their contributions and pledges of the churches in the interest of the Board of the Western North Carolina Baptist Convention, and that we ask the Board to take charge of the mission work of this Association.

J. B. FREEMAN.

Pledges made for Conventional Missions: Bear Wallow, $10; French Broad, $5; Green Mountain, $5; Hendersonville, $10; Mt. Gilead, $5; Mt. Moriah, $5; (J. H. Justice paid on pledge $1;) Mills River, $5; Oak Grove, $5; Riverside, $5; Refuge, $5; Pleasant Grove, (No. 2.), $2; Salem, $5; Liberty, $1; James Garren, $1; R. A. Freeman, $2.50; T. C. Holsclaw, $1; W. B. Johnson, $1; A. T. Hart, $2. Total, $76.50.

Adjourned for preaching at the stand by Rev. D. A. Glenn.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Resumed regular business of the body.

By motion speeches limited to ten minutes.

Report read on Foreign Missions, and by motion set for 10 a. m. Sunday.

Read and adopted report on periodicals as amended.

Rev. J. A. Spaight then addressed the body on the report and was allowed time to take subscribers for the Asheville Baptist.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

We, your committee on periodicals, are not impressed so much with the importance of recommending any particular papers or journals; but feel the importance of recommending to our people the necessity of having some good current Baptist literature in every family. Knowledge is power, and good reading is the food of the intellect. If we wish to be strong and agressive for Christ we must read. We believe that every Baptist family ought to have at least one denominational paper. We mention the Asheville Baptist, Biblical Recorder, Charity and Children, and the Foreign Mission Journal.

J. W. ANDERSON, Chairman.

The following was added to the above report :

RESOLVED, That the literature and work of the American Baptist Publication Society is eminently worthy of our consideration, and that it is the sense of this Association that our churches should more extensively patronize the same.

Report on Sunday-schools read, and, by motion, made a special order for 10 o'clock Sunday, and to be discussed in connection with the report on Foreign Missions.

The following report on Obituaries was read and adopted :

REPORT ON OBITUARIES.

We, your committee, find from the church letters, that God has seen fit in his great wisdom to remove from among us thirty-two of our members, to which we meekly bow. This should remind us that death is ever with us, and that we should watch and pray, for God may call for us when we are least expecting it.

J. C. MORGAN, Chairman.

By motion J. B. Freeman was requested to draft a suitable obituary in memory of Rev. W. J. Wilkie, and the same be published in the minutes.

The following report on Nominations was read and adopted :

REPORT ON NOMINATIONS.

We, your committee, recommend the appointment of the following brethren on the Associational Board : J. Williams, W. F. Robinson, W. B. Case and S. B. Nanney.

On Sunday-school Board : Rev. G. S. Jones, J. B. F. Pace, J. C. Morgan and Rev. J. G. Stepp.

J. R. RHODES, Chairman.

Report on union meetings read and adopted without remarks.

REPORT ON UNION MEETINGS.

We submit the following: So far as our knowledge extends we think that the Union meetings are doing much good in the bounds of our Association; but we regret to report that these meetings are not as well attended as they should be. We urge upon the churches to give more attention to this important work.

E. L. ALLEN, Chairman.

The report on state of religion was read and adopted:

REPORT ON STATE OF RELIGION.

We, your committee on the state of religion, have gleaned such information as was obtainable in the letters sent up from the churches, which indicate quite a small addition to our membership from so large a representation, being only 189. Brethren, let us redouble our efforts the present year, so that our next report may show a greater increase. Respectfully submitted,

J. J. BLYTHE, Chairman.

The report on church letters was read as follows and adopted:

REPORT ON CHURCH LETTERS.

We submit the following report: We find by examining the church letters an increase of 189. R. T. TOW, Chairman.

The following report on the Baptist Orphanage was read, and, after remarks by Rev. G. S. Jones and W. B. Case, adopted.

BAPTIST ORPHANAGE.

We, your committee to whom was referred the subject of the Baptist Orphanage, beg leave to say: We are proud that God, the Father of orphans, has put it into the hearts of his people to care for the helpless children of the State of North Carolina. We hope this Association will help to sustain the Orphanage at Thomasville by their money and prayers. B. F. TURNER, Chairman.

At this time brother J. B. Freeman was allowed the floor to speak in behalf of Rev. James Blythe, and a cash collection of $9.51 was taken for this aged minister.

Then the report on Temperance was read, and speeches made relative thereto by G. S. Jones, W. H. Vernon, J. B. Freeman and T. C. Holsclaw. On motion further discussion of this subject was postponed until 9 o'clock a. m. Sunday.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

We, in view of the evil of intemperance, realizing that it is doing more to impede the progress of Christ's work than any other evil, and believing that the money spent for intoxicating drink would evangelize the destitution in the bounds of our Association, we not only request, but urge, that the churches of this body do all in their power to destroy this poison that is causing so many to die an untimely death and bringing them to their graves in shame. And since it is the bane of peace, happiness and prosperity, this great evil is blighting and ruining many homes, bringing many women and children to poverty and despair, and depriving our children of an education. Brethren, shall we not march forward in one solid phalanx and destroy this evil?

RESOLVED, That this Association will not recognize churches that hold in fellowship members who aid or abet directly or indirectly in the making or vending of intoxicating liquors. Neither will this Association admit churches that fellowship dram-drinking.

J. B. FREEMAN, Chairman.

Adjourned to 9 o'clock Sunday morning. Announced preaching at the Dalton school hnuse by Rev. W. H. Vernon. Prayer by Rev. J. A. Speight.

SUNDAY MORNING—9 A. M.

Services opened by singing, "All to Thee." Religious exercises conducted by Rev. Elbert Jackson.

House called to order. The report on Temperance was again read by the clerk, and an able speech made by Rev. T. J. Brock, after which the report was adopted.

The following resolutions were then offered and unanimously adopted.

On motion resolved, That the present Treasurer secure the report of former Treasurer J. T. Sales and report the same jointly with his report for this year, at the next meeting of the body.

J. B. FREEMAN.

RESOLVED, That this Association hereby tenders its thanks to the good sisters, brethren and friends of this community for their abundant hospitality and care during this session.

J. M. HAMRIC.

ORDERED, That the Clerk of this Association be allowed five dollars for his services and for compiling minutes, and four dollars for postage for mailing minutes to the churches, and that the balance of the minute fund be expended by him for printing minutes.

J. M. HAMRIC.

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of this body procure and forward to the clerks of the churches comprising this body suitable blanks for making their returns to the Association, so that their reports may be more uniform and complete. J. J. BLYTHE.

RESOLVED, That this Association request the Board of the Western Baptist Convention to place a missionary at once in the bounds of our Association, and, resolved further, that we do all we can to support said missionary. J. B. FREEMAN.

The time having arrived for the reports on Sunday-schools and Foreign Missions, speeches were made by J. B. Freeman, Revs. J. A. Speight, T. J. Brock and W. B. Johnson. Then reports adopted.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

It is gratifying to your committee to note the progress by a number of our churches in this department of christian labor. We much approve of the systematic plan of some of our schools of weekly contributing to the Mission cause, and commend the same as worthy of imitation.

We regret to say that some of our churches are neglecting the

Sabbath school work, and we believe the fault to be in the pastors and parents. We earnestly insist upon a greater degree of zeal and consecration in this department of the Master's vineyard. What a grand field! What a glorious work! Room and work for all! Brethren let us not cease our work until there is an evergreen Sunday-school in every church and community, and all the people engaged in it. Then God's blessings will more abundantly rest upon his people. We believe that a more thorough co-operation is needed and recommend that this Association have a Sunday-school convention, and ask the co-operation of every church in this work.

W. B. CASE, Chairman.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

As God commanded his first disciples to go into all the world and preach the gospel, so he commands us of the nineteenth century. The great commission is as binding upon us as it was upon them. The spirit of missions is the spirit of Christ. It was this spirit that brought our Saviour from heaven to suffer and die in this world.

It should be the great object of every church to send the gospel to every one who has it not, and any church that has lost the spirit of missions, has forfeited all right to be called a gospel church.

We are much gratified that christian people are being awakened as never before to the importance of sending the gospel to the heathen. God is moving upon his people in this land and beyond the sea to hear the cry from heathen lands to send their men, their money and their prayers to help them. But when we think of one billion of people, two-thirds of the population of the world, who have never heard the gospel, we are made to feel the importance of a united effort upon the part of all God's people in this the greatest of all enterprises.

There is urgent need at this present time of men and money, that our operations may be enlarged in foreign lands. God has opened the gates of those nations to us, and has said for us to occupy, but to do this the Board must have men and money. It has been thought good by our Southern Baptist Convention to utilize the Centennial of Modern Missions as the occasion for a great forward movement in this work. The Convention desires to send one hundred more missionaries to the field this Centennial year.

We trust that this Association will not be behind in this great movement.

D. A. GLENN, Chairman.

By motion it was ordered that any member of this Association, in good standing, may be considered as appointed correspondent to any sister Association.

The time having arrived for preaching, the body retires to the stand to hear the Annual Mission Sermon, by Rev. T. C. Holsclaw.

After the sermon a collection was taken for missions, amounting to $13.46.

The Moderator appointed Rev. J. F. Woodfin, John H. Justice and J. R. Wilkie delegates to the Western Baptist Convention.

Then adjourned to meet with Crab Creek church on Thursday before the second Sunday in October, 1893, at 10:30 a. m.

R. A. FREEMAN, Moderator.

J. P. MCKINNA, Clerk.

CONSTITUTION.

We, the members of the Baptist church of Jesus Christ, who have, on profession of our faith in Him, been immersed, believing that the holy scriptures are the only standard of faith and duty for Christians, enjoining as they do, zealous and continued effort in promoting the cause of our blessed Lord, do now unite in this association, under this Constitution, for the advancement of the objects therein stated :

ARTICLE I. This Association shall be called the Carolina Baptist Association, and shall be composed of representatives chosen by each church in the Union, from among the number of its own members, who shall carry to each meeting of the body certificates of their election, with a statement of the membership, conditions and prospects of the church they represent, the name of its licensed and ordained ministers, and such contributions as have been made for benevolent objects, which shall be appropriated only as the donors may direct.

ART. II. This Association shall meet annually, and shall be organized as soon as the names of the representatives are enrolled, by the election of a moderator, clerk, treasurer and historian, by ballot, who shall hold office until the next annual meeting.

ART. III. Each church shall be entitled to a representation of three delegates, and an additional one for every fifty members in excess of one hundred, and all ordained ministers shall have seats as delegates.

ART. IV. The Association shall be governed by such rules of order as it may from time to time adopt.

ART. V. Any church holding the principles of the doctrines of Christ, and the order of His house, as generally held by those denominated Baptists, may connect itself with this Association at any meeting of the same.

ART. VI. The decisions of the Association shall, in all cases, except in the matter of amendments to the Constitution, be made by a majority vote, but amendments to the Constitution must be adopted by a two-third vote. Amendments may be adopted at any meeting of the Association.

ART. VII. The Association reserves the inalienable right to withdraw from any church that abandons the principles of this organization.

ART. VIII. This Association holds that the churches of Christ, though not possessed of any soverign authority, are, nevertheless, in their government, independent of each other, and of all other ecclesiastical organizations, and accountable to no tribunal, but to Christ only, and holds that while it is the duty of all churches, in temporal matters, to be obedient to the laws of the land, in spiritual matters they should be obedient alone to Jesus Christ, their only head and law-giver.

ART. IX. While this Association holds that each church is an independent body, as above stated, it rather regards itself as an advisory council, but will not presume to dictate for the churches, but will give counsel, which the churches may receive or reject; but the Association is of opinion that the best mode of settling differences between churches is to take the same scriptural steps as are prescribed for the settling of difficulties between members ; that the church that feels aggrieved shall send a statement of the cause of grievance to the sister church which gave the offence, and if it will not give Christian satisfaction, then call upon one or two sister churches to assist in a

settlement, and if the offending church will not listen, then report the same to this body, which will not pay any attention to such complaints, unless the above course of procedure has been complied with.

ART. X. This Association will not admit or receive any church into membership in the Union that is known to be in disorder, or composed of members excluded from another church of the same order of this Association.

ART. XI. Any church in good standing in this Association shall, at any time, be allowed the privilege of withdrawing from the same by letter.

ART. XII. This Association may correspond and form a brotherly union with any Baptist organization holding similar views of doctrines and duty with those held by this body.

ART. XIII. This Association may appoint as many boards or committees as may be necessary for carrying on the business and accomplishing the objects of its organization. These, when so appointed, shall make reports at the times appointed by the Association.

ART. XIV. The minutes shall be read and corrected, if necessary, in the morning of each day of the session, and at the close of the last day.

ART. XV. As the business of the Association must be finished before its adjournment, no member shall be allowed to depart from any of its sessions without leave.

ART. XVI. The objects of the Association shall be the circulation of the Scriptures in destitute places, the encouragement and aid of foreign, home, conventional aud associational missions, education, Sunday-schools and temperance.

ART. XVII. This Association shall keep a book in which this Constitution and a minute of each session shall be recorded, which book shall be present at every meeting of the Association.

RULES OF ORDER.

1. The annual meetings of the Association shall open by singing and prayer at half past ten o'clock on Thursday before the second Sunday in October in each year. At this hour the moderator, or in his absence, the clerk, shall call the members to order, when the certificates will be presented, and the names of the members enrolled. This body will then be organized by the election of officers, and thus organized, attend upon the introductory discourse, at the close of which the association will take recess or proceed to business.

2. The order of business is to open the door : 1. For membership. 2. For correspondence. 3. For any business coming up regularly.

3. The Association shall, on each day, open and close with prayer by the moderator, or a brother, at his request. The title of "brother" shall be used in all the meetings of this body.

4. The moderator shall preside at the meetings of the body, keep and decide questions of order, subject to appeal from members.

5. Questions shall be decided by "aye" or "no," doubtful cases by the rising of the members to their feet until they are counted.

6. The moderator shall appoint all committees, except those ordered by ballot.

6. In all cases by ballot, the moderator may vote; in other cases he may not, unless the body be equally divided, or unless his vote, if given to the minority, will make the division equal, and in that case the question shall be lost.

8. A member may, on motion, submit any subject to the consideration of the association that relates to its design or objects, and if seconded, it shall receive due consideration, except it be withdrawn by the mover with the consent of the body.

9. If two or more members shall rise to speak at the same time, the moderator shall decide the priority of right.

10. If a member shall violate any of these rules, any member may, but the moderator shall, call him to order.

11. No member shall speak on the same subject oftener than twice, without leave of the Asssciation, except to explain.

12. A member, in making a motion, speaking, or in debate, shall rise and address the moderator respectfully.

13. When a motion is made and seconded, it shall be stated by the moderator before debate.

14. When the moderator is putting the qnestion, or addressing the body, no member shall walk out or across the house ; nor, when a member is speaking, enter into private conversation, or pass between the speaker and the moderator, but all are required to pay strict attention.

STATISTICAL AND FINANCIAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	CLERKS.	POSTOFFICE	Baptized.	Rec'd. by Letter.	Restored.	Dismissed.	Excluded.	Died.	Male Members.	Female Members.	Total Membership	Minute Fund.	Pastor's Salary.	Orphanage.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.
Boilston,	T. C. Holsclaw,	A. C. McKinna	Boilston	6	2	1	7	4	2	49	70	119		$50 00	$	$ 5 00	
Bear Wallow,	J. L. Brookshire	J. M. Hamric,	Pump	5		1	7	3		36	53	89	$ 1 00	54 00	5 38	2 08	$ 5 00
Beulah,	L. C. Hamilton,	H. D. Drake	Bowman's Bluff	1			5	2		71	126	189	1 30				
Crab Creek,	W. B. Johnson,	Elijah Osteen	Delmont		2		3	1	2	68	84	152	65				
Double Springs,	J. W. Anderson,	G. B. Hudson	Splendor				4			37	70	107	50				
Ebenezer,		J. J. Blythe	Hendersonville			1		1	1	32	62	94	50				
Barnwell,	F. C. Hamric,	S. L. Laughter			1		5	11	2	9	14	23	40	24 00			
Cross Roads,	W. H. Jones,	W. A. Fortune	Zirconia	9	6					24	21	45	80				
Friendship,	James Blythe,	T. H. Williams	Saluda	23			1		1	50	72	122	1 00				
French Broad	J. F. Woodfin,	J. C. Morgan	Hendersonville		2				1	15	30	45	85	36 00			2 81
Fork Creek,	J. R. Rhodes,	B. F. Turner	Saluda	14	12					24	21	45	60				
Green River,	W. B. Johnson,	T. T. Morris	Zirconia	13	6		2			40	54	94	75				
Green Mount'n	J. L. Brookshire	J. W. Freeman	Fruitland	12	12		3	5	2			111	1 00			5 00	5 00
Golden Hill,	W. H. Jones,	J. H Hill	Blue Ridge	13	3	5	2		2	30	50	80	50				
Hendersonville,	D. A. Glenn	A. B. Freeman	Hendersonville	3	13	1	14	1	2	46	76	122	1 50	600 00		5 00	26 56
Holly Springs,	R. F. Hamilton,	S. D. Osteen,	Knight				2		1	26	30	66	75				
Mount Moriah,	J. F. Woodfin,	G. W. Ledbetter	Edneyville	2	3		35	2	1	82	88	170	1 10	100 00		5 00	5 00
Mountain Page,	J. T. Singlton,	H. W. Staton	Saluda	15	10	3	8	3	4			304	1 50				
Mountain Vall'y	W. H. Jones,	T. E. Pace	Fish Top	12	2		2	2	1	28	48	76	63	25 00			
Mount Olivet,	W. B. Johnson,	J. C. Ward	Flat Rock	1	3		1		2	37	53	90	85				
Mount Gilead,	T. C. Holsclaw,	J. S. Rhodes	Mills River	8	6		3	1	1	36	66	102	1 15	60 00		5 03	
Mills River,	T. C. Holsclaw,	M. L. Underw'd	Sittons	9	2		14		2	51	67	118	1 30	72 00			
Mud Creek,	J. R. Rhodes	B. C. Jones	Flat Rock		10		5	7				71	1 00	50 00		1 80	
Oak Grove,	J. R. Rhodes,	T. E. Waters	Upward	3	1	1	2	4		34	44	78	1 00	50 00		5 00	
Pleasant Hill,	J. W. Anderson	J. S. Heffner	Hendersonville		2		3	2		14	34	48	75				
Refuge,	D. A. Glenn,	P. T. Ward	Dana	13			21	6	5	107	176	283	1 05	100 00		5 00	
Riverside	T. C. Holsclaw,	M. M. Owenby	Horse Shoe	12	2		2			31	36	67	1 10	40 00	5 33	10 00	1 36
Bat Cave,	R. Hudgins,	A. E. Hudgins	Bat Cave	8	4					10	19	29	1 00				
Hooper's Creek	F. C. Hamric,	J. N. Youngb'd	Fletchers				1		1	30	25	55	60			1 50	1 50
Liberty,	G. W. Mace,	G. W. Rhodes	Maxwell	6	1		4	2	2	27	56	83	40				
Mountain Hill,	P. Kuykendall,	W. D. Howard	Merritsville, S C	6				2	1			90	1 00				
Pleasant Grove,	E. J. Morgan,	T. M. Stuart	Pink Bed			1	6			6	7	13	40	40 00		2 00	4 00
Salem	J. L. Brookshire	J. T. Sales	Fletchers		3		1			46	75	121	1 50	65 00		5 00	
Shaw's Creek,	J. F. Woodfin,	W. D. Rhymer	Hendersonville	2	9	2	20	1		37	75	112	1 00	55 00		5 22	5 00
Saluda,	Jas. Blythe,	J. I Davis	Saluda				2		2			23	1 05	50 00			
Broad River,*																	
Cedar Springs,*																	
Pleasant Grove*																	
Middle Fork,*			Totals,	179	96	16	164	60	32			3436	$30 48	$1 501		$62 55	$56 23

*Not represented.

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Churches.	Pastors.	Clerks.
Bat Cave	A. I. Justice	A. E. Hudgins
Bear Wallow	F. C. Hamric	C. P. Hall
Beulah	Jas. J. Gray	H. D. Drake
Cedar Springs	R. F. Hamilton	J. C. Capps
Crab Creek	Wm. Johnson	Elijah Osteen
Double Springs	J. W. Anderson	G. B. Hudson
Fork Creek	J. R. Rhodes	B. F. Turner
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Friendship	J. M. Blythe, J. R. Rhodes	T. H. Williams
Golden Hill	W. H. Jones	J. H. Hill
Green Mountain	J. L. Brookshire	Jay W. Freeman
Green River	J. R. Rhodes	T. T. Morris
Hendersonville	D. A. Glenn	A. B. Freeman
Holly Springs	Jas. J. Gray	S. D. Osteen
Liberty	J. L. Brookshire	Charles Shepard
Middle Fork	J. A. Staton	W. F. Huntley
Mills River	J. F. Woodfin	M. L. Underwood
Mt. Gilead	T. C. Holtsclaw	J. S. Rhodes
Mountain Hill	P. A. Kuykendall	W. D. Howard
Mountain Page	J. T. Singleton	Henry W. Staton
Mt. Moriah	J. F. Woodfin	G. W. Ledbetter
Mt. Olivet	W. B. Johnson	J. C. Ward
Mud Creek	W. B. Johnson	J. H. Beck
Oak Grove	J. R. Rhodes	T. E. Waters
Pleasant Grove	E. J. Morgan	F. M. Moore
Pleasant Hill	J. W. Anderson	A. G. Johnson
Refuge	D. A. Glenn	P. T. Ward
Riverside	T. C. Holtsclaw	M. H. Ownbey
Salem	J. L. Brookshire	W. J. Baldwin
Saluda	W. H. Jones	J. I. Davis
Shaws Creek	J. F. Woodfin	W. D. Rymer
Total		

* To disabled ministers, $30 ; to ministerial aid, $77. † To ministerial aid.

STATISTICAL TABLE OF THE CHURCHES FOR 1893.

	Postoffices.	Meeting Days.	Baptized.	Received by letter.	Restored.	Dismissed by letter.	Excluded.	Dead.	Male Members.	Female Fembers.	Total Membership.	When Constituted.	Conventional Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Ministerial Education.	Minutes Fund.	Orphanage.	Poor.	Pastors' Salaries.	Other Benevolent objects.	Value of Church Property.	Ordained Ministers.
.....	Bat Cave	1	2	3	.....	15	1	.....	12	22	34	1892	.....	.....	.....	70	.....	.....	$ 60 00	.....	.....	.....
.....	Pump	3	.....	1	.....	.....	7	1	26	45	71	1868	.....	.....	.....	50	.....	.....	24 00	.....	.....	.....
.....	Bowman's Bluff	1	4	.....	1	1	.....	1	72	129	201	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00	.....	.....	15 00	.....	.....	2
.....	Zirconia	1	.....	2	1	.....	.....	.....	43	49	92	1847	.....	.....	.....	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	Knight	2	.....	1	2	5	4	1	57	85	142	1834	.....	.....	.....	50	.....	.....	18 00	.....	$ 400 00	.....
.....	Splendor	4	13	.....	.....	4	.....	.....	35	65	100	1871	.....	.....	.....	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	Saluda	4	13	7	.....	.....	2	1	31	32	63	1891	.....	.....	.....	25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1
.....	Hendersonville	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	14	30	44	1792	$ 5 00	$ 5 00	.....	60	$3 00	.....	36 00	.....	.....	.....
.....	Saluda	1	23	2	1	3	.....	.....	54	83	137	1841	.....	.....	.....	1 15	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1
.....	Dana	2	.....	11	4	4	1	1	32	50	82	1875	.....	.....	.....	1 00	1 00	.....	25 00	.....	.....	2
.....	Fruitland	1	9	3	1	3	1	.....	49	66	115	1879	5 00	5 00	.....	50	.....	.....	50 00	.....	400 00	.....
.....	Zirconia	2	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	40	55	95	1857	.....	.....	.....	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2
.....	Hendersonville	1-4	15	11	1	5	.....	3	53	85	138	.....	10 00	24 25	$32 00	2 00	.....	.....	600 00	*$107 00	6000 00	2
.....	Knight	3	1	.....	...	.....	.....	1	25	31	56	.....	.....	.....	.....	75	.....	.....	.....	.....	300 00	1
.....	Maxwell	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	2	22	52	74	1848	1 00	.....	.....	30	.....	.....	50 00	.....	300 00	1
.....	Bat Cave	2	3	7	11	5	8	.....	37	66	103	1886	.....	.....	.....	30	.....	$1 80	.....	.....	500 00	.....
.....	Sitton	1	.....	2	1	6	.....	.....	54	67	121	1835	.....	2 50	.....	1 00	2 65	.....	60 00	.....	.....	.....
.....	Angeline	.....	16	6	2	.....	1	1	34	48	82	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	65 00	† 14 00	700 00	.....
.....	Merrittsville, S. C	4	16	10	5	4	2	.....	40	50	90	1867	.....	.....	.....	70	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	Saluda	1	10	.....	.....	4	4	.....	135	172	307	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 05	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	Edneyville	4	1	1	.....	2	1	.....	82	88	170	.....	4 05	.....	.....	80	.....	.....	85 00	.....	250 00	1
.....	Flat Rock	4	6	4	2	1	4	1	34	54	88	.....	.....	.....	.....	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1
.....	Hendersonville	.....	.....	3	.....	4	2	.....	17	42	59	.....	1 65	50	.....	1 05	.....	.....	.....	.....	500 00	3
.....	Upward	3	5	1	1	5	4	1	28	47	75	1875	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50 00	.....	.....	.....
.....	Pink Bed	2	3	2	.....	1	.....	.....	6	11	17	1879	4 74	.....	.....	35	5 00	1 20	40 00	.....	.....	.....
.....	Hendersonville	3	2	7	.....	1	.....	.....	14	35	49	1832	.....	.....	.....	70	.....	.....	25 00	.....	.....	2
.....	Dana	.....	11	5	.....	7	.....	2	102	178	280	.....	5 00	3 00	.....	1 17	.....	.....	75 00	.....	1500 00	2
.....	Horse Shoe	1	6	1	.....	1	2	.....	34	37	71	1888	.....	.....	.....	1 25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	Fletcher	2	1	.....	.....	4	.....	1	45	71	116	1838	5 00	.....	.....	90	.....	.....	65 00	.....	.....	1
.....	Saluda	3	14	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	15	24	39	1888	.....	.....	.....	1 00	2 00	15 00	.....	.....	200 00	1
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PROCEEDINGS.

Crab Creek Church, Henderson County, N. C.,
October 5, 1893.

THE CAROLINA BAPTIST ASSOCIATION convened this day at 11:20 a. m., with the Crab Creek church.

In the absence of the former moderator, the clerk proceeded to organize the body. Sang: "Am I a soldier of the cross?" Devotional exercises conducted by Rev. E. Allison. Read Ephesians, 3d chapter.

Rev. J. W. Anderson and J. M. Waldrop were appointed reading clerks, and letters were read from the following churches, and delegates' names enrolled as follows:

Pleasant Hill—John Nelson, John Brown, A. G. Johnson.

Mud Creek—W. E. Jackson, P. M. Jones, J. D. Gilbert.

Mt. Gilead—S. Whitaker, J. T. Carter, W. B. Moore, J. T. Sales, J. S. Rhodes.

Mount Olivet—H. W. Sentell, J. C. Ward, R. V. Kuykendall, F. D. Capps.

Green Mountain—J. B. Freeman, James Beddingfield, J. P. McKinna, Vardrie Russell.

Green River—G. C. Beddingfield, J. R. Staton, T. T. Morris.

Fork Creek—B. F. Turner, J. B. Middleton, A. G. Turner, James Rhodes.

French Broad—E. L. Allen, T. C. Allen, W. S. Justus.

Double Springs—M. M. Johnson, L. L. Hudson, Calvin Levi, J. W. Ward.

Crab Creek—Eli Shepherd, Nathan Corn, Samuel Sentell, Elijah Osteen.

Beulah—G. W. Mace, L. C. Hamilton, W. A. Morris, H. D. Drake, C. S. Morris, R. F. Orr, W. T. Drake.

Refuge—J. P. Capps, B. A. Staton, Reuben Brock, John W. Staton, John H. Hill.

Shaws Creek—W. J. Davis, Joseph McCrary, J. M. Davis.

Mills River—M. L. Underwood, S. C. Sitton, S. J. Rickman.

Salem—W. J. Baldwin, J. N. Suttles, S. H. Bagwell.

Pleasant Grove—T. M. Stewart, D. B. Andrews.

Mountain Hill—E. M. Pruitt, W. D. Howard, John Plumblee.

Liberty—J. O. Wall, J. W. Lyda, J. W. Wilson.

Middle Fork—W. S. Grant, F. J. Huntley, J. M. Wilson.

Oak Grove—John Kuykendall, J. B. Justus, J. B. Kuykendall.

Hendersonville—Rev. D. A. Glenn, Rev. G. S. Jones, J. M. Waldrop, John Jordan, J. A. Laughter, P. J. Hart.

Bat Cave—M. A. Barnwell, A. E. Huggins.

Holly Springs—V. C. V. Hamilton, E. B. Sentell, J. M. George.

Saluda—J. I. Davis, M. C. Johnson, Johnnie Johnson.

Bear Wallow—G. S. Wall, W. A. Sinclair, T. M. Merrell, S. B. McAbee.

Golden Hill—J. P. Hyder, John McAbee, W. W. Hyder, A. D. Hyder, J. H. Hill.

Friendship—Rev. John Halbert, J. W. Edwards, W. M. Henderson, T. H. Williams.

Riverside—W. T. Cox, W. B. Case, L. M. Reddin, W. N. Corn.

Mount Moriah—J. R. Wilkie, Wm. Jackson, N. S. Goode, S. B. Nanney, J. H. Justice, W. C. Wilkie.

Cedar Springs—John A. Ward, J. C. Capps, H. P. Jones.

Mountain Page—O. B. Kelley, A. F. Pace, R. B. Hipps, Wm. Russell, Wm. T. Davis, Henry W. Staton, R. W. J. Pace.

The body then went into the election of officers. W. J. Davis and W. J. Baldwin were appointed tellers for the election of Moderator; H. D. Drake and J. W. Anderson, tellers for the election of Clerk; J. R. Rhodes and P. J. Hart, tellers for the election of Treasurer; J. B. Freeman and Samuel Sentell tellers for the election of Historian.

While the tellers were out the congregation sang "Jesus Lover of my Soul."

The tellers reported Rev. W. B. Johnson elected Moderator, J. M. Waldrop, Clerk, W. J. Davis, Treasurer, and Rev. G. S. Jones, Historian.

The deacons of Crab Creek Church, together with Rev. J. A. Staton and J. I. Davis were appointed a committee on religious exercises.

By request, J. R. Rhodes was relieved from preaching the introductory sermon.

Adjourned for thirty minutes.

Reassembled by singing "Amazing Grace, how Sweet the Sound." Committee on religious service reported, and recommended that Rev. D. A. Glenn preach the introductory sermon to-morrow, Friday, at 11 o'clock, a. m.

The doors of the Association were opened for new churches.

Corresponding delegates received: Rev. Wm. Ward, from Buncombe County Association; Rev. A. W. Beck, and Rev. E. Allison, from Transylvania County Association.

The Moderator proceeded to appoint the following committees:

On Education: Rev. D. A. Glenn, J. R. Rhodes, J. W. Anderson.

Periodicals: Rev. G. S. Jones, N. W. Corn, P. J. Hart.

On nominations: Rev. J. A. Staton, H. C. Johnson, T. M. Stewart.

On Temperance: J. B. Freeman, J. R. Wilkie, J. C. Ward.

Foreign Missions: Rev. G. S. Jones, J. L. Brookshire, V. C. V. Hamilton.

On State of Religion: E. L. Allen, M. M. Johnson, R. Brock.

On Sunday Schools: W. J Davis, J. I. Davis, G. W. Johnson.

On Obituary: Rev. John Halbert, G. C. Beddingfield, J. Kelley.

On Baptist Orphanage: J. B. Freeman, Rev. G. S. Jones, J. M. Waldrop.

Union Meetings: Benjamin Staton, J. W. Anderson, J. L. Brookshire.

Time and Place and Associational Sermon: G. W. Johnson, W. E. Jackson, M. A. Barnwell, W. J. Baldwin, J. O. Wall, W. S. Grant.

On Finance: B. F. Turner, P. J. Hart, John W. Staton.

Home and Conventional Missions: J. P. Morgan, Rev. D. A. Glenn, John Kuykendall.

On motion the subject of education was set apart for Saturday, at 11.15, a. m.

J. P. Morgan, of Buncombe Association, was invited to and accepted a seat in the Association.

On motion, Home and Conventional Missions was made the order of business at 10 a. m., Saturday. Singing, "Praise God from whom all blessings flow.

Benedition by Rev. D. A. Glenn.

Friday, October 6th, 1893.

The Association assembled by singing, and reading the 5th chapter of First John; prayer by Rev. E. Allison.

Minutes of yesterday's proceeding read and approved.

Roll-call had and all churches responded except three.

Rev. Durham, who represents the Asheville *Baptist*, was invited to, and accepted a seat.

While committees were preparing reports, remarks were made by Rev. E. Allison; prayer by J. P. Morgan.

Introductory sermon preached by Rev. D. A. Glenn; text, 13th verse 25th chapter of Matthew: Watch, therefore, for you

know neither the day nor the hour when the Son of man cometh.

After singing, "Be ready 'til the Bridegroom cometh," by Prof. Wilkie, the Association adjourned for one hour.

Convened by singing, "There is a Beautiful Land."

On motion Prof. T. J. Brock was added to the committee on Education.

The committee on Time and Place submitted the following report, which was adopted:

We, your committee on Time and Place, beg leave to submit the following report: We have selected Shaws Creek church as the place, and Thursday before the second Sunday in October, 1894, at 10:30 o'clock a. m., as the time to hold the next session of this Association. Rev. D. A. Glenn to preach the introductory sermon; Rev. T. J. Brock, alternate.

L. M. JOHNSON, Chairman.

The committee on Temperance submitted the following report which was adopted after remarks by J. B. Freeman, Rev. Wm. Ward, Rev. D. A. Glenn, John Jordan, and Rev. J. L. Brookshier.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

Temperance is taught by the Bible. If there is a work for Christian people to do it is to throttle Prince Alcahol. How many of our ministers, our churches, our preachers, know the prodigious power of the liquor traffic. Are we aware of the fact that whiskey trusts and organizations are abroad in the land; that one half million dollars can be subscribed in forty-eight hours to defeat a South Carolina dispensary, or one temperance ticket in a single State of this Union. The sanction of our government prompts our people to engage in this business for the sake of the revenue to be derived. Many of our people verily believe it is right to make and sell this soul-destroying fluid. How long, O, brethren, how long till all the professors of religion shall with one accord cry out with trumpet blasts, "the sword of the Lord and of Gideon, or the temperance of the Bible and Christian influence?" Shall we longer sleep, since the very foundation of civil liberty is endangered; since the holy Sabbath is made the great day of drunkeness, and debauch; since great rivers of tears are made to gush forth from the mother, the father, the orphan, and the gates of hell are enlarged thereby? We see drunkeness stalking in high places and in the grottos. East, west, north and south the nations of the earth are bowing to the shrine of Bacchus. And shall we, dwelling in the habitations of the light of the Gospel, not subscribe to the banner of temperance by life, precept, and influence, or shall we rescue our country, our churches, our dear children, and stand by the cause of temperance?

J. B. FREEMAN, Chairman.

Committee on Foreign Missions submitted the following report. After remarks by J. P. Morgan, Rev. J. L. Brookshier, Rev. D. A Glenn, and others, the report was adopted:

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The past year has witnessed the prosecution of special plans adopted among Baptist organizations all over our land and country, celebrating the centennial of *modern missions*. And it is gratifying to know that our Southern Baptist Convention has not been slow to appreciate the "spirit of the times," and hence the very earnest efforts put forth during the past twelve months to awaken an increased interest in the various Foreign Mission fields.

It was proposed by the Board that the year be marked by the noble effort to send out from the bounds of the Southern Baptist Convention *one hundred new missionaries*, as a memorial consecration of men and money to the great cause that called from his shoemaker's bench that world-renowned man, Wm. Carey, to go to India, followed by Judson, Rice, Boardman, and others of like faith in the gospel of Jesus. Since the summer of 1890, forty new missionaries have been commissioned to Mexico, Brazil, Africa, Japan, and China. Some of the older appointees have returned home. Among the number now engaged, we are glad to mention the names of Bryan, Bostick, Herring, Britton, Green, and Newton, as having gone forth from North Carolina.

Including the posts occupied in Italy, our missionaries are now holding 50 stations, and report 383 persons baptized during the past year.

May the Lord put the thought deep in our hearts, "Being blessed ourselves, we'll seek to bless others with the gospel of Jesus."

G. S. JONES, Chairman.

The committee on religious services announced that Rev. Wm. Ward would preach in this church to-night, and Rev. J. R. Rhodes at Holly Springs. That Rev. Durham would preach at 12 m. Saturday, and that Rev. E. Allison would preach at 11 a. m. Sunday.

After the adoption of the report on Foreign Missions, the delegates pledged themselves to see that their several churches would send up collections for Foreign Missions at the next session of the association.

On motion, a contribution was taken for Rev. James Blythe, amounting to $4.68.

The committee on Periodicals reported. Remarks by J. P. Morgan, John Jordan, W. B. Case. Subscriptions taken by the agent of the *Asheville Baptist*. Report adopted as follows:

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

Our acquaintance with others—with their plans and purposes—with their failures and successes, is measured by our personal intercourse, conversation, and reading. Dark, indeed, must be the dwelling place of that man, woman or child on the American continent, to-day, whose "life, liberty, and pursuit of happiness" is not touched by the power of the printing press. The value of the religious press can not be overestimated as a medium of mental, moral, and spiritual education. It is not simply a news "factory," but is proving itself to be a most effective means to unite churches in doctrine and sentiment, and is not content with telling *what* has been done, but *how* the laborers in our Master's vineyard have been working and gaining success. To satisfy our cravings for *good* news

from christian co-laborers in the bounds of this association, we must have a welcome visit from the news department engaged in that special service. Surely none are so well posted in the general or particular events occurring along the lines of church enterprises, as he who reads.

Some changes have been made in the management of the *Asheville Baptist.* It is now a four-page paper, well edited and nicely printed, and it is the highest interest of our pastors to put forth efforts to circulate it among their church members. It will help to keep out hurtful heresies, will aid in collecting funds for our cuurch work, and give us at home something to talk about as having been done in other christian settlements. Take the *Asheville Baptist,* brethren, and if your reading opportunities will permit, welcome to your homes the good old *Biblical Recorder*, published at Raleigh, N. C. And again, as we value the Baptist orphanage, we must take *Charity & Children,* that sprightly little visitor sent out by the orphans to their many kind friends. These are our home papers, and deserve the first place in the family circle.

G. S. JONES, Chairman.

The committee on Orphanage made the following report. Consideration of report postponed until to-morrow :

REPORT ON BAPTIST ORPHANAGE.

It is less than *ten years* since the Baptist Orphanage, located at Thomasville, N. C., first opened its doors and welcomed the fatherless to its faithful watchcare under the well-chosen management of J. H. Mills. For awhile this was the only denominational institution of the kind in North Carolina. Its growth has been steady and substantial, and the Lord has put it into the hearts of some of our more fortunate brethren to enlarge its facilities by making special donations, which are now seen on the grounds in the form of comfortable houses, school rooms, and chapel—eight or ten buildings in the midst of farms made fertile, and gardens well arranged for pleasurable toil. Here, under religious auspices of the safest order, and a course of literary training, over one hundred orphans are now being fed, clothed, and taught many of the arts of practical industry. Every county in our State has already felt the good influences of this noble enterprise; and its "heart and hand" appeals to the benevolent among us can not pass unheeded without dishonoring our Lord's standard of "pure and undefiled religion." In this Orphanage is found a place where "good seed may fall into good ground," where "bread cast upon the waters is gathered after many days," and where "it is more blessed to give than to receive."

We kindly ask all our pastors to hold special services in their churches and Sunday-schools, and take collections for these fatherless children, once every three months, and get their members to pay one dollar a year for the little paper, *Charity & Children*, a most excellent publication deserving a weekly visit to each home in our association.

J. B. FREEMAN, Chairman.

On motion adjourned. Benediction by Rev. J. A. Staton.

Saturday, October 7th, 1893.

Religious exercises conducted by the Moderator. Read

1st Psalms. Sang, "There is a Beautiful Land." Prayer by Rev. J. A. Staton.

On motion, reading of minutes of previous day was dispensed with.

Report on Nominations presented and adopted as follows:

REPORT ON NOMINATIONS.

We, your committee, recommend the appointment of the following brethren on the Associational Board: B. F. Turner, J. B. F. Pace, P. T. Ward. On Sunday-schools: Rev. G. S. Jones, G. H. Moore, W. S. Grant. J. A. STATON, Chairman.

The report on Sunday-schools was offered by the committee, and on motion made the order of business immediately after 12 o'clock.

The committee on State of Religion made the following report, which was adopted:

REPORT ON STATE OF RELIGION.

We, your committee on State of Religion, report as follows: We find from reports in the church letters to this Association, the small addition of 105 members during the last associational year. We, your committee, see from this standpoint a great need of more and greater efforts along the line, but we feel unable to advise.

Respectfully submitted, E. L. ALLEN, Chairman.

The committee on Obituaries made the following report, which was adopted:

REPORT ON OBITUARIES.

It has pleased the Lord in his Allwise Providence to remove by death from within the bounds of our Association during the past year ten of our brotherhood. We hope our loss is their gain. "Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord, from henceforth, yea, saith the spirit, that they may rest from their labors, and their works do follow them."—Rev. 14:13.

Respectfully submitted, JOHN HALBERT, Chairman.

On motion, J. B. Freeman was appointed to prepare a memorial for publication in the minutes of the association.

Committee on Home and Conventional Missions made report. On motion, J. P. Morgan was granted 30 minutes to discuss missions. Collection taken, which amounted to $10.46.

PLEDGES FOR HOME AND CONVENTIONAL MISSIONS.

Bear Wallow church	$ 10 00
Beulah	3 00
Crab Creek	3 00
Double Springs	3 00
French Broad	5 00
Green River	3 00
Green Mountain	5 00
Hendersonville	15 00
Holly Springs	2 00
Mt. Moriah	5 00
Mountain Page	5 00

Mt. Olivet	$ 3 00
Mt. Gilaed	5 00
Mills River	5 00
Mud Creek	3 00
Oak Grove	5 00
Pleasant Hill	2 00
Refuge	5 00
Riverside	5 00
Bat Cave	3 00
Liberty	5 00
Salem	5 00
Shaws Creek	5 00
Pleasant Grove No. 2	2 00
Middle Fork	3 00
Friendship	3 00
Total	$107 00

REPORT ON HOME AND CONVENTIONAL MISSIONS.

The Home Board is located at Atlanta, Ga. The Board desires first to express its sense of the Divine mercy that has preserved through the year the lives of not only all its members, but those of the missionaries who have labored in connection with it. The blessing of the Lord upon its work calls for devout expression of our gratitude to Him who is the giver of every good and perfect gift. Last year the baptisms administered by its missionaries reached the number of 5,274, and the total additions 11,247. This year these numbers are somewhat less, because of the great political excitement and other causes. Though we ought to thank God and take courage.

The number of Missionaries employed during the year was	368
Weeks of labor	14,014
Churches and stations	1,482
Sermons and addresses	28,007
Prayer meetings	12,594
Baptisms	5,111
Received by letter	4,493
Total additions	9,604
Sunday-schools organized	412
Teachers and pupils	16,611
Religious visits	54,134
Churches constituted	155
Houses of worship	92

Conventional Missions.

This Board is located at Asheville, N. C., and is composed of twenty-one members. First, with grateful hearts to Almighty God for sparing the lives of all the members of this board, and that of its missionaries and colporteurs, except one, for this year. With sad hearts we report the death of our dear brother, Rev. S. H Harrington, who was located at Murphy, N. C. This brother had been wonderfully blessed in the work.

The church house at Murphy is completed at a cost of two thousand dollars, and there is a balance of only three hundred dollars due. Also one at Dillsboro and one at Sylva that are nearing completion.

The Board has had seven missionaries and colporteurs on the field this year, and has paid off the old debt, and all the missionaries and colporteurs are paid up and will meet the Convention out of debt, with a balance on hand. The outlook is very favorable.

We are sorry to say that we have some pastors in the bounds of the

Convention that never take collections for missions; never pray for missions. Our pastors should develop their churches on the subject of missions and education. The *pulpits* should be above the *pews*. We number 24,000 in Western North Carolina, and only $1,700 has been paid for Home and Conventional missions, and $600 for Foreign Missions.

These self-denying missionaries and colporteurs have done a work that will be felt for years to come in visiting the homes of the poor and giving them the Bible. One colporteur reported, in nine days work, found forty-one families without the Bible.

Brethren, we are one people, and all should work together, for there is a sad destitution in Western North Carolina.

May God help us to do more for the cause during the next year than we have ever done before. Respectfully submitted,

J. P. MORGAN, Chairman.

Report adopted.

Resolution offered by J. P. McKinna in regard to mission funds adopted as follows:

Be it Resolved, That the mission funds collected in the bounds of this Association be forwarded to the Treasurer of this Association when collected, and that he report the same to the Treasurer of the Western North Carolina Baptist Convention. J. P. MCKINNA.

Resolution offered by J. B. Freeman in regard to church at Saluda, adopted.

Resolved, That this Association ask the Western Board to send their corresponding secretary to Saluda, N. C., to ascertain and look into the propriety of helping the good brethren at that place to build a church house there. J. B. FREEMAN.

The committee on Finance submitted the following report, which was adopted.

REPORT ON FINANCE.

We, your committee, beg to report as follows:

For Foreign Missions, from Refuge	$ 3 00
For Home Missions, from Shaws Creek	5 00
Mill Pond	5 00
Liberty	1 00
For Conventional Missions, from Refuge	$ 2 66
Mount. Moriah	3 30
Hendersonville	10 00

Minute Fund.

Refuge	$ 1 17
Golden Hill	1 00
Friendship	1 15
Oak Grove	50
Mountain Hill	70
Pleasant Grove No. 2	35
Salem	90
Mills River	1 00
Shaws Creek	1 00
Liberty	30
Middle Fork	30
Saluda	1 00
Bear Wallow	50
Holly Springs	75
Hendersonville	2 00

Mountain Page	$ 1 10
Bat Cave	70
French Broad	60
Double Springs	50
Green River	50
Mount Olivet	50
Fork Creek	25
Beulah	1 00
Green Mountain	50
Mud Creek	1 05
Crab Creek	50
Riverside	1 25
Pleasant Hill No. 1	65
Mount Moriah	90
Cedar Springs	50
Total	$ 23 12

Respectfully submitted,

B. F. TURNER, Chairman.

The committee on Union Meetings made the following report, which was adopted:

REPORT ON UNION MEETINGS.

We, your committee on Union Meetings, beg leave to submit the following: That the Association be divided into two districts, making the old State road the dividing line. That the east side of the road be known as District No. 1, and the west side as District No. 2. That the first union meeting in District No. 1 shall be held with the church at Refuge, commencing Saturday before the 5th Sunday in October, 1893, and that the first union meeting in District No. 2 shall be held with the church at Pleasant Hill commencing on Saturday before the 5th Sunday in October, 1893, and that the objects of the union meetings shall be the same as the objects of this Association. That a record of the proceedings shall be kept and a report thereof made annually to the meetings of this body.

B. A. STATON, Chairman.

Adjourned one hour.

Reassembled by singing "We are passing away."

The Sunday-school report was read and adopted, after remarks by Rev. G. W. Johnson, Rev. Wm. Ward, Rev. D. A. Glenn, Rev. E. Allison, J. P. Morgan, J. C. C. Dunford, John Jordan.

REPORT ON SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.

We, your committee on Sunday-schools, submit the following report: We would insist upon the importance of the Sunday-school work. The success of our churches depends largely upon the training of the children. The churches that neglect this work are very remiss in their duty, and fail to utilize one of the most important factors in advancing the Lord's kingdom. We notice with pleasure the great progress in this department of Christian activity. The people are becoming more and more interested in this great work. We regret that there should be any who will not avail themselves of the great advantages now offered in our Sunday-schools. Those who know how to appreciate such privileges ought to see that those around them are brought in and trained for the Saviour.

W. J. DAVIS, Chairman.

Report on Baptist Orphanage was read, and a collection taken amounting to $1.83. Report adopted. (*See report on 8th page.*)

The following resolution was offered and adopted:

Be it Ordered, That the clerk of this Association be allowed ten dollars for his services in compiling the minutes, and that he expend the remainder of the minute fund in printing the proceedings of this session. Be it ordered, 2d, That the clerk be allowed to insert the advertisement of the American Baptist Publication Society's literature, and also advertisements of the schools of Profs. Dunford and Brock.

Respectfully, J. P. McKINNA.

The report on Education was taken up, and after remarks by Profs. T. J. Brock and J. C. C. Dunford, was adopted.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

Your committee is of opinion that the time has passed to argue the proposition, "Should we Educate?" It is now time to argue the "How."

We note with interest the marked improvement in the methods of teaching in our public schools. Another very hopeful feature of the public school is that the scholarship of our teachers is better than ever before.

With much interest we refer to the fact that our facilities for the higher education of the masses are greater than ever before. Your committee recommend to your patronage the following schools, all of which are ln our associational bounds: Willow, DeWitt, Saluda Seminary, Blue Ridge Academy, and Ochlawaha Institute. Part or all of these schools are well equipped with teachers, and offer instructions in the following grades and courses: Primary, Intermediate, Grammar-school, Academic, Penmanship, Norman-school, Business, and Music—Vocal and Instrumental.

But notwithstanding the excellent advantages offered for the education of the masses, comparatively few of our children are in school longer than seven or eight weeks in the year, and that in the public schools. We would, therefore, urge upon our people, especially our pastors, the importance of their co-operation with our schools in reaching the masses of our children.

Realizing the fact that the greater the literary attainments of the preacher, the greater will be his ability to contend for truth against error, we recommend that ministerial education receive a greater prominence in our work. We, therefore, urge upon our preachers, 1. The importance of their availing themselves of a library of religious literature. 2. We recommend the organization of a Ministers' Council to convene monthly for the purpose of studying God's Word, religious literature, devising plans of operation, etc. 3. We would urge upon the younger of our preachers the necessity of attending a good school. 4. As all of our schools of the academic grades are non-sectarian, we would advise this association to establish somewhere in its bounds a Baptist Associational High School. D. A. GLENN, Chairman.

The following resolution of thanks was offered and adopted:

Resolved, That this Association hereby tender its thanks to the members of this church and the friends in the community for their abundant hospitality and care for us during this session. J. M. WALDROP.

The following resolutions, offered by J. B. Freeman, were adopted:

Resolved, That in view of the importance of a Missionary in the

bounds of the Carolina and Transylvania Associations, this matter shall be taken into consideration in this Association.

Resolved further, That a committee of three be appointed to attend the Transylvania Association in its next session, and in conference with that honorable body recommend a brother to the Board of the Western Convention to be appointed by said board to labor in this field.

Resolved further, That the pastors of our churches are earnestly urged to co-operate with the Missionary who may be appointed by said board.

J. B. FREEMAN.

In compliance with the above resolution, the following committee, with the Moderator added, was appointed: J. A. Staton, J. L. Brookshier, J. B. Freeman.

Moved and carried that any member of this association be considered a delegate to any other county association.

Moved and carried that we have a Sunday-school mass meeting to-morrow at 10 o'clock.

Adjourned after a few remarks from the Moderator. Singing "On Jordan's stormy banks we stand." Prayer by Rev. D. A. Glenn.

W. B. JOHNSON, *Moderator.*

J. M. WALDROP, *Clerk.*

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	SUPERINTENDENTS.	PLAN.	Number of Teachers.	Number of Scholars.	Total Contributed.
Bat Cave	J. H. Freeman	Baptist	.....	93	$17 55
Bear Wallow	F. M Merrell	Baptist	.....	71	8 00
Beulah	H. D. Drake	Baptist	4	76	4 50
Golden Hill	W. P. Stepp	Baptist	3	51	.....
Green Mountain	J. B. Wall	Baptist	4	80	.....
Green River	J. B. F. Pace	Baptist	4	30	.....
Hendersonville	J. A. Maddrey	Baptist	.....	140	75 00
Liberty	J. O. Wall	Baptist	3	60	1 32
Liberty (Branch)	J. O. Wall	Baptist	3	46	
Middle Fork	J. M. Freeman	Baptist	4	108	4 19
Mills River	S. C. Sitton	Baptist	5	64	17 50
Mills River (Branch)	G. E. Cairnes	Baptist	5	50	
Mountain Hill	.....	Baptist	5	60	.....
Mountain Page	Q. B. Kelley	Baptist	4	.....	.....
Mt. Gilead	G. K. Moore	Baptist	5	71	5 00
Mt. Moriah	J. W. Justice	Baptist	4	52	.....
Oak Grove	H. P. Kuykendall	Baptist	4	30	2 70
Pleasant Grove	T. M. Stuart	Baptist	3	40	3 00
Pleasant Hill	J. W. Anderson	Baptist	6	75	9 04
Riverside	W. B. Case	Baptist	4	55	6 00
Salem	R. T. Tow	Baptist	3	60	9 01
Saluda	.....	Union	3	63	3 20
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OF THE

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OF THE

Carolina Baptist Association

HELD WITH

The Shaw Creek Baptist Church

Henderson County, North Carolina,

OCTOBER 11th, 12th, 13th and 14th, 1894.

COMPILED BY

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Licentiates.

W. F. Robinson, C. King, S. B. Youder, T. L. Brown, J. C. Ward, J. R. Staton, H. W. Vernon.

The next session of this Association will be held with Mountain Page Baptist church, Henderson county, N. C., on Thursday before the second Sunday in October, 1895, the Rev. J. W. Anderson to preach the introductory sermon, with W. H. Jones as alternate.

PROCEEDINGS.

SHAWS CREEK BAPTIST CHURCH, HENDERSON CO., N. C.,
Thursday, October 11, 1894.

THE CAROLINA BAPTIST ASSOCIATION convened this day at 11:30 a. m., with the Shaws Creek Baptist church. W. B. Johnson, former moderator, proceeded to organize the body by reading part of the 12th chapter of Romans. Sang, "How firm a foundation." Prayer by Rev. J. W. Anderson.

In the absence of the former secretary, A. B. Freeman was elected secretary pro tem.

Rev. J. W. Anderson and T. J. Rickman were appointed reading clerks, and letters from the following churches were read and delegates enrolled as follows:

CROSS ROADS—D. M. Kuykendall, W. J. Jones, and J. B. F. Ward.

MT. MORIAH—J. H. Justice, T. Dalton, S. B. Nanney, T. L. Brown, and Alburges Lamb.

EBENEZER—W. F. Dotson, A. J. McMinn, Wm. Maxwell.

HOLLY SPRINGS—Rev. R. F. Hamilton, Joel Anderson, E. G. Smith, S. D. Osteen.

BAT CAVE—W. B. Searcey, M. A. Barnwell, G. W. Conner, Thos. J. Atkins.

SHAWS CREEK—Rev. J. L. McCarson, N. J. Davis, Joseph McCrary, P. M. McCulloch.

SALUDA—W. H. Kuykendall, J. I. Davis, M. C. Johnson, M. F. Arledge.

BARNWELL—Isaac M. Lyda, J. F. Merrell, J. M. Ownby. Alternates: J. B. Merrell, S. L. Laughter and J. R. Rhodes.

PLEASANT HILL—Alexander Drake, B. F. Lee, A. B. Bane.

PLEASANT GROVE No. 2—T. M. Stewart and John Moore.

RIVERSIDE—W. B. Case, J. W. Summey, W. T. Cox, Wm. N. Corn.

MOUNTAIN HILL—Decatur Howard, John Plumblee, George Plumblee, B. W. Emory.

MUD CREEK—P. M. Jones, J. H. Beck, W. E. Jackson.

MOUNTAIN PAGE—A. F. Pace, R. W. I. Pace, O. B. Kelley, J. M. Bell, W. T. Davis, R. B. Hipp, W. P. Davis, L. E. Ward.

OAK GROVE—Wm. Anders, John Kuykendall, J. F. Brookshire, R. R. Brookshire.

MT. OLIVET—G. F. Capps, J. C. Ward, R. V. Kuykendall, and W. Jones.

MT. GILEAD—J. T. Sales, S. Whitaker, J. T. Carter, and J. S. Rhodes.

Report of Committee on Sunday Schools.

The Prophet Hosea in speaking the word of the Lord to the children of Israel used the following language: "My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge: because thou hast rejected knowledge, I will also reject thee—seeing thou hast forgotten the law of thy God, I will also forget thy children."

How many parents in bounds of the Carolina Association are allowing their children to be brought in such a way, that in after years they will be forgotten of God? Destitute of religious knowledge and religious training, unarmed by the sword of the Spirit, they in the end are to enter everlasting destruction. Parents do you know of any better way of bringing up your children than to take them with you to the house of God on the sabbath day, and with them engage in the study of the bible? Your Committee are happy to report great improvement in the churches in the way of keeping up the Sunday Schools. Yet there is great need for better and more efficient work in this line. We trust that every church in the bounds of this Association will, by next year, be able to report a flourishing Sunday School. Respectfully submitted,

THOS. J. RICKMAN, *Chairman.*

Your Committee also call attention to the fact that Sunday School conventions and institutes are being organized in many of our Associations.

COMMITTEE.

Remarks by T. J. Rickman, Rev. S. C. Owen, and Rev. D. A. Glenn. On motion, further discussion on this report be deferred till Sunday, 9 a. m. On motion, a committee of five was appointed to draft and report at this Association an outline for the Sunday School work of this Association. Committee: Rev. J. F. Woodfin, T. J. Rickman, P. T. Ward, J. I. Davis, and T. L. Brown.

Committee on "Home and Conventional Missions," and "State of Religion," made the following report:

Home and Conventional Missions.

(1,) Our Home Mission work is conducted by a Board, located at Atlanta, Ga. Its field embraces the destitute sections in all the Southern states, Indian Territory, and Cuban Islands. The Records of this Missionary Board running through the past half century, show the employment of about six thousand gospel preachers and active laymen who have enrolled about twenty-five hundred new churches, erecting over a thousand church edifices, and gathering in very near two hundred thousand church members.

(2,) Our Conventional Mission work has had good success during the past year. The Board, of which Rev. J. L. White is president, and Bro, John P. Morgan is corresponding secretary, is located at Asheville, N. C.; and its records afford pleasant reading matter. It is gratifying to know that the secretary, as financial agent, has pulled through another year of increased labors without dragging a debt.

Rev. T. C. Holtsclaw has served the board as missionary in Henderson and Transylvania counties, and reports success in carrying the gospel light to certain settlements within the bounds of the Association.

The board has had seven other brethern engaged in missionary work within the bounds of the Western Baptist Convention; and the pleasure of the Lord has rested on the labors of his servants.

G. S. JONES.
For Committee.

Report on State of Religion.

We, your Committee of State of Religion, report as follows: From reports in the church letters to this Association, we find an addition of

216 members by baptism, and the small amount of $105.87 contributed for missions during the past associational year. We find the churches coming to the front in missionary work, but still there is room for great improvement. There are some who pull down almost as fast as others build up. No church will rise above its pastor in church work. We hope that the time is now here when all the churches will awaken to their duties along all the lines of christian work.

Respectfully submitted,

J. L. BROOKSHIRE, *Chairman.*

Remarks J. P. Morgan, Rev. T. C. Holtsclaw and W. B. Case. Report adopted.

Collection taken for Home and conventional Missions amounting to $5.37.

Committee on religious exercises reported preaching this afternoon by Rev. J. F. Woodfin, and to-night by Rev. W. H. Jones.

The following pledges were made for Home and Conventional Missions:

Middle Fork	$ 1.00	Mud Creek	$ 3.00
Bat Cave	5.00	Oak Grove	10.00
Bear Wallow	5.00	Pleasant Grove, No. 2	2.00
Crab Creek	3.00	Pleasant Hill	2.00
French Broad	5.00	Refuge	10.00
Golden Hill	5.00	Riverside	5.00
Green Mountain	5.00	Salem	5.00
Hendersonville	20.00	Saluda	2.00
Liberty	3.00	Shaw's Creek	5.00
Mills River	5.00	Hooper's Creek	5.00
Mt. Gilead	5.00	Mt. Valley	5.00
Mountain Hill	2.00	Barnwell	1.00
Mt. Moriah	5.00	H. D. and W. P. Drake, and R. T. Orr	2.50
Mt. Olivet, bal. on last year	1.75	M. M. Johnson	1.00
Mt. Crystal	2.00	S. D. Osteen	2.00
Cross Roads	2.00		
Rev. W. S. Huntley	2.50		

Adjourned to meet in one hour.

Reassembled at 2 p. m. Sang: "We'll Work till Jesus comes." Committee on Periodicals submitted the following report:

Periodicals.

Our denominational paper, the *Western North Carolina Baptist*, published at Waynesville, N. C., by Bro. J. D. Boone, and edited by Rev. M. A. Jenkins, both young men, active workers, is richly deserving a thousand subscribers in this Association. Price, one dollar per annum. The time was when argument had to be used to convince Baptist people that periodical literature was a valuable medium of light, but in our day it is almost universally conceded, that, as individuals and churches, we are blameworthy to an inexcusable degree if we shut our eyes to the light, and ignore the most economical means of putting ourselves in touch with the forces that promote unity of effort in our associational purposes and leading objects of the Western Baptist Convention.

For safty in counsel, ability in management, fairness in discussion of Biblical, and all other topics of vital interest appearing in its columns, we heartily recommend the "old reliable" *Biblical Recorder*, published at Raleigh, N. C. Price two dollars per annum.

G. S. JONES,
Chairman.

Remarks by Rev. G. S. Jones, Rev. S. C. Owen, J. P. Morgan, and Rev. Mr. Mullinax. Report adopted.

A subscription was taken for the Asheville *Baptist* by Rev. S. C. Owen.

The report on Union Meetings was read and adopted:

On Union Meetings.

We, your Committee on Union Meeting, beg leave to report that we do not find even the shadow of a Union Meeting in this Association. They are dead—completly dead. It is not our province to inquire why they have been allowed to die; but we believe that, as children of the Association, they have died of criminal neglect. We believe that, if properly conducted, they are conducive of much good. We therefore recommend that Union Meetings be re-established in our Association.

We further recommend that a committee of five be appointed at once to formulate some plan for the proper working of the Unions, and to report at this session of the Association.

J. C. C. DUNFORD, *Chairman.*

The following is the special committee on Union Mettings: J. C. C. Dunford, T. L. Brown, M. E. Cox, W. H. Jones, and P. T. Ward. Report of special committee on Union Meetings as follows, read and adopted:

REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON UNION MEETINGS.

We, your committee on that part of the report on Union Meetings relating to the re-establishment of the Unions in our Association, beg leave to make the following report:

First, That we recommend there be made six groups of the churches of this Association.

Second, That each group hold a Union Meeting, beginning on Friday and including each fifth Sunday, at whatever church they may deem best—but we suggest rotation.

Third, That the objects of these Unions shall be the same as those of this Association or our Convention.

Fourth, That there shall always be two advance programs for these Unions.

Fifth, That all ministers, and all other members, both male or female, of every church, are earnestly requested to attend these meetings.

Sixth, That a committee, consisting of brethren W. B. Johnson, J. L. Brookshire, T. C. Holtsclaw, J. H. Justice, and J. F. Woodfin be appointed to make these groupings, suggest leaders, and provide programs for the first meetings, to report at this session of the Association.

Seventh, That these Unions shall keep records of these meetings and report annually to this Association.

J. C. C. DUNFORD,
Chairman.

The report of committee on Baptist Orphanage was read and adopted, after remarks by Rev. S. C. Owen.

Baptist Orphanage, Located at Thomasville, N. C.

Ten years ago some of our Baptist brethren in the East set to work, in a small way, to provide a place for the ingathering of indigent, fatherless children, and wisely located at Thomasville a home, in the best sense of the word, for giving physical comfort, mental discipline and moral training to the little ones thus sheltered within the embrace of Christian benevolence. Bro. J. H. Mills, the original superintendent, still holds that responsible position, and his work has been eminently successful. About 130 orphans are now kindly cared for in current ex-

penses. In all parts of our State an increasing interest is developing towards this charitable institution. Many of our Sunday Schools are making monthly contributions to help Bro. Mills to feed and clothe the children. Every school in the Association can help. The little paper, *Charity and Children*, is printed at the Orphanage—one dollar a year. We suggest that on our next annual Thanksgiving day, a special collection be made to help sustain this good cause.

G. S. JONES, *Chairman.*

The report of the committee on Obituaries read and adopted.

Report on Obituaries.

We, your committee on Obituaries, wish to report that there have been thirty-one of our membership cut down by the scythe of time, and that the increase in deaths over last year is in proportion of 31 to 10. We believe our loss is their eternal gain. O, death, where is thy sting, O, grave, where is thy victory. Respectfully submitted,

G. W. CONNER, *Chairman.*

Report of committee on Finance was read and adopted.

Report of Committee on Finance.

We, your committee, submit the following report:

CONTRIBUTED FOR MINUTE FUND.

Golden Hill	$ .55	Mills River	$1.00
Shaw's Creek	1.10	Riverside	1.00
Bat Cave	.70	Beulah	.75
Salem	.80	Refuge	1.15
Oak Grove	.90	Hendersonville	2.15
Mountain Page	1.00	Barnwell	.50
Double Springs	.35	Mt. Gilliad	.50
Mud Creek	.80	Green River	.50
Mountain Valley	1.00	Saluda	1.00
Mt. Crystal	1.00	Mt. Olivet	.50
Cross Roads	.83	Crab Creek	.50
Mountain Hill	.25	Ebenezer	.40
Mt. Mariah	1.25	Hoopers Creek	.50
Holly Springs	.25	Liberty	.30
Pleasant Grove, (No. 2.)	.40	Pleasant Hill	.25

W. B. CASE, *Chairman.*

The report of the committee on Time and Place was read and adopted.

Report on Time and Place.

We, your committee on Time and Place, respectfully report that the next annual meeting of this Association be held with the Mountain Page Baptist church, beginning on Thursday before the second Sunday in October, 1895, and that Rev. J. W. Anderson preach the introductory sermon, with Rev. W. H. Jones as alternate.

H. D. DRAKE, *Chairman.*

The following resolution was read and adopted:

"*Resolved*, That we, the delegates of this Association, will hereafter refuse to call a pastor who is anti-missionary."

Report on Foreign Missions read and adopted, after remarks by Rev. D. A. Glenn, Rev. Mr. French, and others.

Report on Foreign Missions.

The Foreign Mission Board is located at Richmond, Va., and is composed of the very best men in the South. To it is committed the Foreign Mission work of the Southern Baptist Convention. This Board has toiled hard during the financial straight through which we have been passing, and kept all the missionaries on the field, and is now sending out re-enforcements. One of this number is Miss Lottie Price, of Asheville, who, in company with Rev. R. T. Bryan and others, will leave the United States on the 8th instant for China. We have 187 missionaries preaching the Gospel in Japan, China, Africa, Italy, Brazil, and Mexico, with 84 churches and a membership of 3,328; baptisms last year, 629; schools, 15; contributions on the field, $5,944.27, or nearly $1.80 per member. This should put us to shame. The converted heathen paid last year $1.80 apiece. How much do we pay apiece? The Foreign Mission Board has to raise $120,000 this year to bear current expenses, which is a small fraction less than 9 cents each for 1,363,351 Baptists of the South. Last year it asked us for about the same amount, and it went to the Southern Baptist Convention at Dallas, Texas, $30,000 in debt. We ought not to allow this to occur again.

We regret to chronicle the death of Rev. C. C. Newton and wife, of Lagos, Africa, and Mrs. Z. C. Taylor, of Bahia, Brazil, which occurred in the last three months. But we should be encouraged. The doors are open to every country in the world, with the single exception of Thibet in Asia. Missionaries by the score are waiting to be sent to these fields to preach the Word of Life. God has set his approval on every effort to evangelize the heathen. There are 35,000 christians in Japan, 50,000 in China. In India, where Wm. Carey labored so long, there are 150,000 christians, 800 missionaries, and over 3,000 native helders. "In Burmah, where Judson preached, prayed, suffered, and died, the Baptists have 500 churches largely self-supporting. It is said that about one third of the Karens are christians." Millions have been redeemed from the ruins of Pagan idolatry and gone to heaven since the days of Carey and Judson.

Let us all thank God and take courage; for the day is coming when Jesus will possess the heathen as "his heritage"—when the kingdoms of this world will belong to the King of heaven.

We recommend that all the churches of this Association make an effort to raise at least 10 cents per member this year.

T. L. BROWN, *Chairman.*

Rev. T. C. Holtsclaw made the following report as Missionary of the Carolina Association, which was adopted after remarks by Rev. J. L. Brookshire, J. H. Justice, and others:

Report from the Missionary of the Association.

Days of service, 242; religious visits, 532; sermons preached, 154; prayer meetings, 12; addresses made, 16; professions witnessed, 64; baptisms in connection, 33; miles traveled, 1,735; collected on books sold on the field on salary, $193.16 (about $86 of this amount in money); collected for other objects, $3.50.

T. C. HOLTSCLAW,
Missionary.

Collection taken for Rev. J. L. Brookshire, for services rendered Liberty church, amounting to $2.67. On motion, adjourned after singing "Jesus Lover of My Soul," and the benedition by Rev. S. C. Owen.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 13th.

Assembled at 10 a. m. by reading 8th chapter of Romans by Moderator. Song: "Oh where shall rest be found;" prayer by Bro. J. P. Morgan.

Suspended reading minutes of yesterday's proceedings.

The following churches presented letters, and delegates received as follows:

CRAB CREEK—Samuel Sentell, J. L. Evans, J. J. Osteen, and J. B. Patterson.

HOOPER'S CREEK—R. M. Prior, W. M. Maxwell, and V. B. Russell.

The committee on nominations submitted the following report, which was adopted: "On Associational Board—Rev. J. L. Brookshier, T. L. Brown, and W. H. Jones.

On Sunday School Board—T. J. Rickman, W. B. Case and M. E. Cox. Respectfully submitted. J. W. ANDERSON.
Chairman.

The committee on Education made the following report, which, after remarks by Rev. G. H. Detwiler, T. J. Rickman and others, was adopted:

Report of Committee on Education.

Your committee begs leave to submit the following report: It is said we live in an age when intelligence is steadily increasing, and no doubt all of us would claim that we represent a part of the country where public and private morality are commonly believed to be gaining in strength and vigor in a corresponding ratio. The history of the world shows that no nation or people ever became great or influential, so long as they were destitute of knowledge or institutions of learning. Experience is said to be the severest school, and mistakes its hardest lessons. As a denomination we must certainly acknowledge that on this line we have made grievous mistakes. Need we wonder, even yet, if some of the "hard lessons" should come to us? Many young men and women—sons and daughters of our Baptist people—stand among us, watchful, and gasping, as thirsty inquirers for knowledge. What shall we say to them?

Our common schools, aided and built up by the State, are making gratifying progress. We have a number of graded schools, under the auspices of our denomination, in various sections of Western North Carolina. At Asheville the Baptists have recently started a college that, no doubt, will one day be the pride of our denomination.

For the sons and daughters (thirsty inquirers) of our Carolina Association, we earnestly recommend the present Judson College, located at Hendersonville. The president and manager of the institution is the Rev. G. H. Detwiler, a man of wisdom and ability as an educator, and who appears to come among us highly recommended. He has associated with him a full corps of competent and worthy teachers.

We commend these institutions, and trust that our people will give their children a liberal christian education.

THOS. J. RICKMAN, *Chairman.*

The following resolution was introduced and unanimously adopted by a rising vote of this Association:

WHEREAS, It is true that from the foundation of this commonwealth, the principal work of higher education has been chiefly done by the denominational schools or private institutions under the indorsement and support of the church;

AND WHEREAS, We do not believe it is the will of our denominations nor wise statecraft to abandon this work and transfer it wholly to the State;

AND WHEREAS, Denominational schools, and consequently the cause of higher education, are crippled by the present plan and management of the higher State schools; therefore,

Resolved, That we do earnestly and urgently petition the next session of the Legislature of North Carolina to establish such an adjustment of the higher schools under its control as will abate this conflict of work and interest.

2. That a committee be appointed by this body to prepare this petition and have it presented to the Legislature during its next session, and to seek the co-operation of other religious bodies in accomplishing the ends of this petition.

3. That in our opinion the next Legislature ought to obey fully the constitutional requirements to provide at least a four months public school in every school district in every county in the State.

4. That in our opinion no public school funds which can be appropriated by the Ligislature for education should be appropriated otherwise than for the public schools. J. C. C. DUNFORD.

In accordance with the above resolutions the following committee was appointed: J. C. C. Dunford, W. J. Davis, T. L. Brown, P. T. Ward, V. C. V. Hamilton, W. B. Johnson, D. A. Glenn.

Adjourned one hour for dinner.

Reassembled at 1:30 by singing "My soul be on thy guard."

Committee on Temperance reported, and after remarks by Capt. S. V. Pickens, Rev. J. L. Brookshier, Rev. S. C. Owen, Rev. G. H. Detwiler, A. Cannon, and Rev. G. W. Mace, the report was adopted as follows:

Report on Temperance.

Your committee on Temperance after consideration and examination of facts, evidenced by intemperance, are brought face to face with one of the greatest and most universal evils known to men. An evil in which the ruin wrought, excels all else. Its contaminating influences and direful effects upon country, home and happiness, present an important and vital problem for the consideration of all thinking people.

With pleasure, we note the fact that during the last decade a lively interest has been taken in the cause of temperance, and vigorous efforts made to arrest the liquor traffic in all of its ramifications. Thousands of noble men and women have used their talents, their influence and their money to stay the flood.

Temperance organizations, almost without number, have been formed. Great Ecclesiastical bodies, in conference assembled, have passed resolutions; our legislature and congress have been besieged with petitions from the people, praying them to do something to save the country from the heavy tread of the destroying monster. And the prayers of the good have gone up from valley and hill-top all over our land. But notwithstanding all this has been done, this monstrous evil, we are sorry to say, has continued to increase.

In 1880 the consumption of alcoholic drink in this country was equal

to about 2½ gallons to each of the then fifty millions of inhabitants. In 1890 the consumption was not 2½ gallons, but 15½ gallons to each of the sixty-five millions in inhabitants, this making an increase in ten years of thirteen gallons to each man, woman and child in the United States.

One billion two hundred millions of dollars of the nation's wealth is being annually wasted on the drink traffic. More than two hundred thousand American saloons, demanding the labor of more than a million of men, are licensed by our government, national, state and municipal, to engage in the business of manufacturing drunkards, paupers, and criminals.

This ungodly and inhuman traffic sheltered and protected by law, not only destroys the substance of the nation financially, but undermines the moral character of our people, both young and old, and sends annually one hundred thousand of our fellow beings down to a drunkard's grave and a drunkard's hell. This dreadful curse has devastated a larger area than war, or famine, or pestilence. It has blasted more homes and broken more hearts than all of these combined.

What shall be done? Shall anything be done to uproot and destroy the evil which we all acknowledge is formidable, and one which we all dread? We know that it is an unmitigated evil, and that not one honest word can be said in its favor. It is insidious to the fullest extreme, stealing upon its victims like a serpent, finding its refuge in a licensed barroom, and under that certificate sallies forth on its deadly mission, prowling through our land with locks and hands and garments red and dripping with innocent blood.

Your committee is unable to understand how any man or woman, who loves home, children, and God, can be indifferent to this evil. The time has come when all moral and religious people, irrespective of party or creed, should unite their efforts to make war upon King Alcohol. Our enemies know that politically we sympathize with different parties and religiously with different creeds; but while thus differing let us teach them that we are one in the arena of domestic peace and moral virtues. Let us be one for the triumph of Temperance and against the traffic of Ruin.

Your committee recommends the following resolutions:

1. *Resolved*, That it is the sense of this Association that for any member of the church to enter saloons, drink intoxicants as a beverage, sign whisky petitions, go on liquor-dealers' bonds, or in anyway encourage the traffic of intoxicating liquors, is unchristian conduct that should be brought under the discipline of the church.

2. We recommend the present plan of organization for the temperance cause.

D. A. GLENN, *Chairman.*

The following resolutions were read and adopted:

Be it ordered, that the Clerk of this Association be allowed ten dollars for his services in compiling the minutes of this Association, and that he spend the remainder of the minute fund in printing the proceedings of this Association. Respectfully submitted,

D. A. GLENN.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Association are due, and are hereby heartily extended to the members of this church and the citizens of this community for their abundant hospitality during this session of the body.

The committee on Religious Exercises reported Rev T. C. Holtsclaw to preach to-night, and Rev. S. C. Owen to-morrow at 11 a. m.

On motion, adjourned, Sang "Praise God from whom all blessings flow." Benediction by Rev. D. A. Glenn.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 14, 1894.

Association convened by reading a part of the 5th chapter of Matthew by the Moderator. Sang: "Blessed Home." Prayer by Rev. S. C. Owen. The following special report was read and adopted:

Sunday School Convention.

Your committee appointed to consider the propriety of a Sunday School Convention, report as follows:

First, That this Association recommend to the churches to organize said Convention.

Second, That the churches send their pastors, and at least four messengers to said meeting.

Third, That the place be Refuge church.

Fourth, Time, Friday before the first Sunday in December, 1894.

We recommend that said meeting be published from the pulpits, in the *Western North Carolina Baptist*, and the *Hendersonville Times*.

J. F. WOODFIN, *Chairman.*

Committee on Union Meetings made the following report, which was adopted:

Union Meeting Districts,

That the churches of this Association be divided into six districts as follows, and time for holding said meetings begin on Friday before the 5th Sunday in December:

District No. 1: Mills River, Pleasant Grove (No. 2.), Mount Gillead, Riverside, Old Salem, French Broad, with place of meeting at Mills River, and Rev. J. F. Woodfin as chairman.

District No. 2: Pleasant Grove (No. 2.), Beulah, Mt. Crystal, Shaws Creek, Crab Creek, Holly Springs, with the place of meeting at Beulah, and J. J. Gray as chairman.

District No. 3. Middlefork, Bat Cave, Bear Wallow, Barnwell, Liberty, Mt. Moriah, with Bat Cave the place of meeting, and Rev. W. S. Huntly as chairman.

District No. 4: Refuge, Ebenezer, Green Mountain, Golden Hill, Hendersonville, Hoopers Creek, with place of meeting at Hendersonville, and Rev. D. A. Glenn as chairman.

District No. 5: Double Springs, Green River, Cedar Springs, Pleasant Hill, Mud Creek, with place of meeting at Double Springs, and Rev. W. B. Johnson as chairman.

District No. 6: Saluda, Cross Roads, Mountain Page, Oak Grove, Mountain Valley, with place of meeting at Saluda, Rev. J. L. Brookshire as chairman.

Collection for Home and Conventional Missions amounted to $——. Collection for Rev. James Blythe amounted to $2.35.

After a few remarks by W. B. Johnson, Moderator, the Association adjourned.

W. B. JOHNSON, *Moderator.*
A. B. FREEMAN, *Clerk.*

STATISTICAL TABLE OF THE CHURCH

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	CLERKS.	POST OFFICES	Meeting Days	Enrolled.	Received by Letter.	Restored.	Dismissed.	Excluded.	Dead.
Hendersonville	D. A. Glenn	A. B. Freeman	Hendersonville	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Beulah	J. J. Gray	H. D. Drake	Bowman's Bluff	1	8	33		30	2	
Green River	W. B. Johnson	T. T Morris		2	0	0		0		4
Pleasant Grove No. 2	E. J. Morgan	F. M. Moore	Pink Bed						1	
Mud Creek	W. B. Johnson	J. H. Beck	Hendersonville	2	3	1	2	2		
Liberty	J. L. Brookshier	J. O. Wall	Maxwell					4	1	
Mt. Gilead	J. F. Woodfin	J. S. Rhodes	Angeline						2	1
Holly Springs	R. F. Hamilton	S. D. Osteen	Delmont	3		2		8	1	2
Mount Crystal	J. L. McCarson	C. Nelson	Hendersonville	4	25	8			1	
Refuge	D. A. Glenn	P. T. Ward	Dana		1	5		5	4	4
Crab Creek	Wm Johnson	Elijah Osteen	Grange	1	8	2				1
Bat Cave	A. I. Justice	A. E. Hudgins	Bat Cave	1	24	4				
Shaws Creek	J. J. Gray	W. D. Rymer	Hendersonville	2	12	6	4	5	1	
Salem	J. L. Brookshier	W. J. Baldwin	Fletcher	2		3		0		3
Mills River	J. F. Woodfin	M. L. Underwood	Sitton		24	2		4	3	1
Mt. Moriah	J. L. Brookshier	G. W. Ledbetter	Edneyville	4	12	5		5		1
French Broad	J. W. Anderson	E. L. Allen	Hendersonville	4						
Mountain Hill	Phillip Kuykendall	William Pruitt		4	3	1	3	8	1	1
Cross Roads	W. H. Jones	W. J. Jones	Dana	3	11	2		2		3
Mt. Olivet	W. B. Johnson	J. C. Ward	Flat Rock	3	2	3		9		1
Golden Hill	W. H. Jones	R. D. Taylor	Blue Ridge		37	6	1	2		1
Double Springs	M. E. Smith	G. B. Hudson	Splendor	4	2			2		
Oak Grove	J. W. Anderson	Charles Shepherd	Flat Rock	3	10	7		6		
Mountain Valley	W. H. Jones	T. E. Pace	Fish Top		20	10	4	3		
Riverside	J. J. Gray	W. N. Corn	Horse Shoe	3	6	1		10		
Saluda	W. H. Jones	J. I. Davis	Saluda	3	10	11	1	1		
Barnwell	S. F. Moore	S. L. Laughter	Fump							
Ebenezer	J. W. Anderson	J. J. Blythe	Hendersonville	2	1			10		
Pleasant Hill No. 1	J. W. Anderson	A. G. Johnson	Delmont	3	14	16	2	1		3
Hooper's Creek	J. L. Brookshier	J. N. Youngblood	Fletchers	2	28	5		1		5
Mountain Page	J. L. Singleton	J. T. Staton	Saluda	1				8	5	6

Sunday School Statistics.

CHURCHES.	SUPERINTENDENTS.	PLAN.	Number of Teachers.	Number of Scholars.	Total Contributed.
French Broad	.....	Baptist	.....	50	$ 5 00
Mt. Moriah	T. L. Brown	Baptist	4	65	.....
Mills River	S. C. Sitton	Baptist	.....	56	8 45
Salem	Joseph Youngblood	Baptist	4	40	8 59
Shaws Creek	M. E. Cox	Baptist	4	40	4 20
Bat Cave	J. H. Freeman	Baptist	3	90	13 35
Liberty	J. O. Wall	Baptist	.....	32	5 00
Mt. Gilaed	G. K. Moore	Baptist	.....	80	5 00
Refuge	.....	Baptist	.....	.....	.....
Mount Crystal	M. C. Corn	Baptist	3	57	.....
Mud Creek	P. M. Jones	Baptist	5	50	6 45
Beulah	W. T. Drake	Baptist	5	65	3 00
Hendersonville	T. J. Rickman	Baptist	11	90	60 00
Green River	J. B. Pace	Baptist	.....	40	.....
Pleasant Grove No. 2	T. M. Stewart	Baptist	5	36	3 80
Barnwell	E. G. Barnwell	Baptist	4	71	50
Pleasant Hill No. 1	J. W. Anderson	Baptist	6	109	9 80
Mountain Valley	W. P. Stepp	Baptist	2	40	.....
Oak Grove	H. P. Kuykendall	Baptist	3	74	.....
Riverside	.....	.....	3	51	5 37
Mt. Olivet	.....	Baptist	.....	25	.....
Cross Roads	C. J. Heatherly	Baptist	3	32	.....
Total	.....	.....			

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OF THE

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OF THE

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HELD WITH

The Mountain Page Baptist Church,

Henderson County, North Carolina,

OCTOBER 10th, 11th, 12th, and 13th, 1895.

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Licentiates.

M. P. Case, J. O. Wall, Jno. C. Ward, C. King, W. F. Robertson, J. B. Middleton.

The next session of this Association will be held with Green Mountain Baptist Church, Henderson County, N. C., on the Thursday before the second Sunday in October, 1896, the Rev. J. L. Brookshire to preach the introductory sermon, with Rev. J. R. Rhoades as alternate.

Proceedings.

MOUNTAIN PAGE CHURCH, HENDERSON COUNTY, N. C., October 10, 1895.

THE CAROLINA ASSOCIATION convened this day at 11 a. m., and was called to order by the former Moderator, Rev. W. B. Johnson, who read the 9th Psalm. Prayer by Rev. S. S. Gibson.

J. M. Waldrop was requested to act as Clerk *pro tem.* J. S. Rhodes and D. L. Clements were appointed reading clerks. Letters were read from the following churches, and delegates names enrolled as follows:

Hendersonville—Rev. S. S. Gibson, N. Buckner, A. B. Freeman, S. J. Justice, J. M. Waldrop.

Cross Roads—G. W. Peace, Philip Kuykendall, T. E. Huston.

Golden Hill—Adam Hyder, J. K. Hill, G. R. Hyder, J. H. Hill.

Double Springs—Alfred Ward, J. W. Ward, H. E. Hudson, J. T. Johnson.

Oak Grove—H. P. Kuykendall, John Kuykendall, Blythe Anders.

Mountain Valley—James Newman, Joseph Johnson, Wm. Henderson, Jr.

Saluda—J. I. Davis, M. C. Johnson, J. S. Johnson.

Ebenezer—W. F. Dotson, Wm. Maxwell, D. F. Brevard.

Mountain Page—A. C. Robertson, R. B. Hipp, J. Y. Staton, James Pace, L. E. Ward, A. F. Coggins, John Ward.

Liberty—M. P. Case, J. O. Wall, J. W. Wilson.

Cedar Springs—Thomas Ward, T. M. Staton, J. C. Capps.

Bear Wallow—T. M. Merrell, G. S. Wall, R. H. Wall, J. M. Michael.

French Broad—W. S. Justus, J. C. Morgan, A. M. McCarson.

Pleasant Hill—John Brown, J. R. Welkie, L. C. Anderson, D. M. Drake.

Beulah—Rev. G. W. Mace, Rev. L. C. Hamilton, Rev. J. J. Grey, Y. D. Moore, W. T. Drake, T. A. Drake, R. K. Orr, T. A. Drake, Jr.

Green River—J. R. Staton, G. C. Beddingfield, J. V. Pace, W. F. Pace.

Mud Creek—P. M. Jones, J. C. Beck, B. C. Jones.

Mt. Gilead—W. B. Moore, Thomas Ballard, M. L. Under-

wood, J. S. Rhodes.

Refuge—J. T. Pace, B. A. Staton, J. P. Capps, T. G. W. Henderson, Joel Guice, P. T. Ward.

Bat Cave—W. B. Searey, J. A. Williams, M. A. Barnwell, D. L. Clements, Rev. Richard Hudgins.

Shaws Creek—M. E. Cox, W. J. Davis, G. W. Allen, Jos. McCrary.

Mt. Moriah—A. T. Hart, S. B. Nanny, C. Williams, James Williams, W. A. St. Clair, A. Lamb, Rev. J. J. Justice.

Mt. Chrystal—W. R. Shipman, J. R. Carver, A. P. McCarson.

Riverside—W. B. Case, J. W. Summey, Wm. N. Corn.

The body then went into the election of officers. Rev. J. T. Singleton and N. Buckner were appointed tellers for the election of Moderator; J. T. Staton and T. A. Drake, Jr., were appointed tellers for the election of Clerk; J. S. Rhodes and J. A. Staton were appointed tellers for the election of Treasurer. After collecting and counting ballots they reported the following officers elected: Moderator, Rev. W. B. Johnson; Clerk, J. M. Waldrop; Treasurer, P. T. Ward.

On motion, Rev. S. S. Gibson was elected Historian by acclamation. Adjourned for one hour.

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1 O'CLOCK P. M.

Singing by the choir. Prayer by Rev. S. C. Owen. Introductory sermon preached by Rev. A. J. Justice. Text: Romans, 4: 12. Prayer by J. P. Morgan. Association called to order by the Moderator. The doors of the Association were opened for the reception of new churches. Received Broad River and Piney Grove, whose delegates names were enrolled and the right hand of fellowship extended by the Moderator.

The following committees were then appointed by the Moderator:

On Religious Exercises, the Pastor and Deacons of Mountain Page Church; Committee on Education, Rev. S. S. Gibson, Prof. Y. D. Moore; Committee on Home and Conventional Missions, J. B. Beck, H. P. Kuykendall; Committee on Periodicals, W. T. Drake, J. R. Staton; Committee on Orphanage, R. T. Jones, G. W. Allen; Committee on Temperance, J. W Staton, J. S. Rhodes; Committee on Foreign Missions, Rev. S. S. Gibson, P. T. Ward; Committee on Sunday Schools, M. E. Cox, A. T. Hart; Committee on Obituaries, Rev. J. J. Justice, N. W. Corn; Committee on State of Religion, Rev. W. H. Jones, M. A. Barnwell; Committee on Union Meetings, D. L. Clements, G. S. Wall; Committee on Nominations, P. M. Jones; Committee on Finance, Rev. J. L. Brookshire, John Kuykendall; Committee on Time and Place, A. C. Robertson.

Corresponding Delegates were received as follows and

welcomed to seats: Rev. I. H. Justice, from the Buncombe County Association; Rev. J. T. Singleton and Rev. J. W. Middleton, from the North Greenville Association; J. P. Morgan, agent S. S. Mission Board, from Buncombe County Association; Rev. J. C. Owen, from Wake County Association; Rev. S. C. Owen, from Buncombe County Association.

Adjourned until to-morrow at 9:30 a. m. Prayer by Rev. J. L. Brookshire.

FRIDAY, October 11.

The Association assembled by singing. The 2nd Chapter of Hebrews was read by the Moderator. Prayer by Rev. J. W. Middleton. Minutes of yesterday read and approved. Letters were read from the following churches and the delegates names enrolled: Mountain Hill, Crab Creek, Mt. Olivet. Committee on Education reported. Remarks by Rev. S. S. Gibson, Rev. S. C. Owen and Rev. J. C. Owen. Report adopted. Report of Committee on Home and Conventional Missions was read. Remarks by J. P. Morgan, Rev. W. T. Jones and others. Action on report held until after the consideration of other business relative to the report. A collection was then taken for missions, amounting to $5.32. Letter from Hooper's Creek read and delegates names enrolled. Letter from Green Mountain read, and upon motion, J. B. Wall was authorized to represent the church in the absence of delegates. After remarks by several brethren on the subject of missions and missionaries, Rev. Luther Brown's name was placed in nomination as missionary in the bounds of this Association, and he was unanimously elected.

The following amounts were pledged by churches and individuals for missions:

Hendersonville	$ 15 00	Fork Creek	$ 2 50
Beu ah	5 00	Broad River	2 50
Mud Creek	2 00	Bear Wallow	5 00
Liberty	5 00	Piney Grove	2 00
Mt Gilead	5 00	Green Mountain	5 00
Refuge	5 00	Middle Fork	2 50
Crab Creek	3 00	Rev. J. W. Anderson	2 50
Bat Cave	5 00	Prof. J. R. Wilkie	2 50
Shaw's Creek	5 00	Rev J. L Brookshire	1 00
Salem	5 00	Rev. W. S. Huntley	1 00
Mills River	5 00	J. B. Wall	1 00
Mt. Moriah	5 00	Rev R. T. Jones	1 00
French Broad	5 00	H. P. Knykendall	1 00
Mt. Olivet	4 00	John H. Justice	1 00
Double Spring	2 00	Rev. W. B. Johnson	1 00
Oak Grove	5 00	Mrs. S. S. Gibson	1 00
Riverside	5 00	M. M. Cox	1 00
Saluda	5 00	Mrs. A. C. Roberson	50
Ebenezer	2 00		
Hooper's Creek	5 00	Total	$137 00
Mountain Page	5 00		

On motion it was ordered that the Committee on Missions make a contract with Rev. Luther Brown in regard to work and report the same to the Missionary Board. On motion adjourned until 1 o'clock.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Called to order by the Moderator. Singing by the choir. Committee on Union Meetings reported. Report adopted. Report on Sunday schools was read. After remarks it was made special order of business for to-morrow at 10 o'clock. Report on Baptist Orphanage was read and adopted. Report on periodicals was read: after remarks it was made special order of business for to-morrow at 11 o'clock. Report on state of religion was read and adopted. Report on obituaries was read and adopted. By arrangement of the Committee on Religious exercises, Rev. J. J. Justice preached in the school house near the church during the afternoon session. Singing by the choir. Prayer by Rev. Huntley. Adjourned until to-morrow morning at 9:30 o'clock.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12.

The Association was called to order by the Moderator, who read the 10th Chapter of Matthew. Singing by the choir. Prayer by Rev. J. C. Owen. Minutes of yesterday read and approved. Report of Committee on Time and Place was read and adopted. Report of Committee on Finance was read and adopted. Report on Sunday Schools was then taken up. Remarks by Rev. S. C. Owen and Rev. J. L. Brookshire. Rev. Middleton moved that the report of the Committee at the last Sunday School Convention, on time and place, be approved and placed in the minutes of this Association. Carried. Report on Sunday School adopted. Report on Periodicals was then taken up. Remarks by W. B. Case, Rev. J. L. Brookshire, Rev. S. S. Gibson and G. S. Wall. Ten minutes were given for taking subscribers for the *Carolina Baptist*. Singing by the choir. Adjourned until 1 o'clock.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Singing by the choir. Report on Periodicals taken up and adopted. Report on Foreign Missions was read. Remarks by Rev. S. S. Gibson. Report adopted. On motion, J. M. Waldrop was appointed Clerk on Foreign Missions and requested to carry out the suggestion made in the report. The report on temperance was read, and after remarks by Rev. G. H. Detwiler, the report was adopted. The following resolutions were then offered and adopted:

Resolved, Be it ordered by this Association that the Clerk be allowed $10 for his services in compiling the minutes, and that he spend the remainder for publication of the same. P. T. WARD.

Resolved, That this Association hereby tender its thanks to the members of this church and the friends in the community for their abundant hospitality and care of us during this session.

S. S. GIBSON.

Resolved, That Rev. S. S. Gibson be requested to write and furnish the Clerk with an obituary of Rev. D. B. Nelson, so the same may be published with the minutes of this Association. J. M. WALDROP.

Resolved, That this Association hereby tender its thanks to Prof. Wilkie and class for their very excellent music during the session.

J. M. WALDROP.

By request of Rev. J. A. Staton, a collection was taken for Father James Blythe, amounting to $10 15. On motion a committee was appointed to look after and see that Father Blythe received proper attention. Committee: J. A. Staton, N. Buckner, J. T. Davis, J. O. Wall, J. S. Rhodes. Report on orphanage was taken up, and after remarks, was adopted. Rev. S. S. Gibson and J. S. Rhodes were appointed delegates to the Western Baptist Convention.

After a few feeling remarks by the Moderator thanking the delegates for their interest in the work, etc., the Association adjourned.

J. M. WALDROP,
Clerk.

W. B. JOHNSON,
Moderator.

Reports of Committees.

ON STATE OF RELIGION.

We your committee on State of Religion submit the following report: From reports in church letters filed in this association, we find an an addition of 112 members by baptism and the small sum of $99.12 contributed for mission during the past associational year, which is $6.75 less than report at last association. We are glad that this amount has been collected, but feel that there is room for great improvement. We hope the time is approaching near when all the churches will awaken to their duties along the line of christian work.

Respectfully,

M. A. BARNWELL.

ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

We find by refering to the letters presented at this association there is 3000 church members in our bounds, but not that many children are reported as attending Sunday-school. While we are proud of the work some of the churches are doing in this line, we are sorry that some report Sunday-schools only four months in the year, and some no Sunday-school at all. Therefore we urge that every church not having a Sunday-school, to organize one at once, and that we all as churches make a special effort to increase the number of scholars. Increase the interest, thereby increasing members and interset in our churches, for we all know the Sunday-school is the feeder of the church.

We are persuaded that the preachers do not take the interest in the Sunday-school work they should. No pastor can do his duty unless he attends the Sunday-schools of his churches and encourage them. We need organization, just such as our County Sunday-school Convention offers. It was organized last November at Refuge church, and its first meeting was held with Mt. Gilead church last July, but only about five churches were represented. We ask the churches to attend these meetings where the much needed help can be obtained.

M. E. COX.

HOME AND CONVENTIONAL MISSIONS.

The following is the report of the Home Board to the last session of the Southern Baptist Convention:

Missionaries	425
Weeks of labor	11,465
Churches and Stations	3,484
Sermons and Addresses	46,620
Prayer Meetings	5,774
Baptisms	5,921
Received by letter	5,519
Total additions	10,564

We have nine Missionaries and Colportures at work in our convention, preaching the Gospel in destitute sections, building up the stupid churches and furnishing people good books to read and the Scriptures.

Dear brethren, this has been a hard year's work on the Missionaries in Western North Carolina. The Corresponding Secretary has lost no time, and Rev. S. C. Owen, the Sunday-school Missionary, is traveling and building up the Sunday-school work. We ask the Carolina Association to elect their own Missionary.

J. C. BECK.

ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

In spite of all the troubles by war, by riot and persecution, the Lord

has greatly blessed the efforts of our Missionaries on all the foreign fields. The increased interest, and the evident approval of God upon the work, aught to be a strong incentive to every christian to do more than has ever been done. We still believe that every church member in this association ought to give something. We are grieved to note that the amount suggested by your committee, 10 cents per member, has not been given. We again urge that each church, and pastor, and member do not only what they can, but urge others to do the same.

To reach this desired end, we suggest that a missionary correspondent be appointed, whose duty shall be to see that literature and general information be given to the church.

Also that each church, at its first meeting, appoint a committee, whose duty it shall be to circulate the literature and information, collect funds and do whatsoever else that will keep that important work before the churches.

SAMUEL S. GIBSON.

ON PERIODICALS.

Several years ago some of our beloved brethren began and edited a paper known as the *Blue Ridge Baptist*, which so long as known by that name, deserved our efforts in the bounds of the Carolina Association. But now having changed hands several times and at presant is known as the *Western North Carolina Baptist*, published at Waynesville, N. C., is still deserving a thousand or fifteen hundred subscribers in the bounds of this association.

The time was when strong argument had to be used to convince Baptist people that periodical literature was a valuable medium of light, but now, in our day, it is almost universally conceded that, as individuals and churches, we are blameworthy, to an inexcusable degree, if we shut our eyes to the light and ignore the most economical means of putting ourselves in touch with the forces that promote unity of effort in our associational purposes and leading objects of the Western Baptist Convention.

We heartily endorse the "old reliable" *Biblical Recorder*, published at Raleigh, N. C. Price two dollars per anumn. We also recomend the *Mission Journal* published at Richmand, Va., at 50 cents a year.

W. T. DRAKE.

ON EDUCATION.

Recognizing the imperative need of education, both in pulpit and pew, your committee beg leave to urge upon all members of our churches to secure for themselves and children all the mental and moral training possible.

It is with gratitude we notice the growing interest in the public schools, and the increasing ability of these schools to do the work committed to their hands. But their work must always be limited. Hence we recommend that all attention be given to home education and the advantages offered by the schools for higher education.

As a preparatory school of high order, under good and christian management, we are glad to recommend Judson College, Hendersonville. For collegiate training, we commend Wake Forest, the great Baptist college of the state. We beg the churches search out likely young men and women in their midst and encourage them to seek the advantage of education, so easily obtained in these days.

Respectfully submited,

PROF. Y. D. MOORE.

ON UNION MEETINGS.

We, your committee on Union Meetings, beg leave to submit the following report: By refering to the report on Union Meetings of last

year we find that Union Meetings were dead—completely dead. But we are glad to report that this is not the case this year. Under the plan adopted last year life has been enthused into work of Union Meetings, and where they have been held have proved a success. But we are sorry to say, according to the best information, that only two of the districts have held the meetings as recommended by the last annual association.

We recommend that your body adopt the same plan and method as approved last year, and that this body appoint a moderator to preside over the first meeting in each district.

Respectfully submited,

D. L. CLEMENTS.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Paid school Herders on the church for Conventional Missions	$ 15.00
Received of Refuge for Conventional Missions	3.79
Received of Finance Committee	22.15
	$ 40.94

Paid J. P. Morgan for Mission Board	$ 18.79
Paid A. B. Freeman for compiling minutes	10.00
Paid for printing minutes	12.12
	$ 40.94

Respectfully submitted,

P T. WARD.

ON FINANCE.

We, your committee on Finance, be leave to submit the following report: We find $23 sent up from the different churches for printing minutes.

J. L. BROOKSHIRE.

ON NOMINATIONS.

We, your committee on Nominations, begs leave to submit the following report: On Associational and Sunday-school Board, Rev. J. L. Brookshire, J. R. Wilkie, Rev. J. R. Rhoads, Rev. W. S. Huntly, W. B. Case and W. J. Davis.

Respectfully submitted,

P. M. JONES.

ON TEMPERANCE.

Your committee on Temperance after considering this very grave question, fail to find words to express the all important work of the Temperance cause. While we note with great satisfaction the happy results of the Temperance workers, in all their branches of work in Temperance movements in our church circles in our county and great city churches, whether it be in the valley, or on the hill tops, or amid the humble cabins of the mountain caves, yea we have a host of faithful, zealous workers who never fail to hold up the Temperance Banner. Let it be in the Sacred Halls or amid the army of Sunday-schools of our land. Their untiring energy and zeal never fail them to present to the youths of the country the great importance of abstaining from the intoxicating cup, and while the cry of the widows and orphans of the land, until the members of the Legislative and Senate Halls have been made to feel the importance of passing stringent laws to govern and prohibit the making and trafic of intoxicating beverages. But we are glad

to note that much and lasting good has been accomplished along this line and many of our brightest men have been rescued from the drunkard's grave through the influence of Temperance workers. Yet we are made to feel sore when we read the secular papers and see the widows and orphans brought to starvation and want by this evil monster that is recognized as legitimate buisness. Yet we should not be discouraged but push to the front in every conceivable way.

Respectfully submitted,

J. W. SLATER.

ON OBITUARIES.

We, your committee on Obituaries, wish to report that there has been eighteen of our membership cut down by the scythe of time, and that the decrease in death under last year is in propotion of 1s to 3t. But we believe our loss, though less than last year, is their eternal gain. "O, death, where is thy sting, O, grave, where is thy victory."

Respectfully submitted,

N. W. CORN.

ON ORPHANAGE.

We, your committee on Baptist Orphanage, beg leave to say that in our opinion there is not any work being done by the Baptist denomination of greater importance than looking after the poor orphans of our state. We think it is in keeping with the teaching of the Apostle James, in visiting the orphan in the true sence, to do them good and make them useful men and women, and to prepare them for useful stations in life. Not only here but hereafter. We trust that all of our churches will take more interest in the Orphanage than they have before and make it a grand institution for good to the poor children of our land that have no one to care for them.

R. T. JONES.

SUNDAY-SCHOOL CONVENTIONS.

Your committee on time and place recommend:

First, That the next session of this Sunday-school Convention be held with Shaws Creek church, begining on Friday before the 5th Sunday in March, 1896.

Second, That the officers of this Convention, viz: A. T. Hart, Philip Sitton and F. M. Moore, be a committee to get up a progam for said meeting and use its influence in every possible way to promote its interest.

Third, That this report be submitted to the next session of the Carolina Association for its approval or rejection.

Fourth, That if said Association disapproves of the Sunday-school Convention as being unnecessary, that this report be null and void, and said Convention be discontinued.

Fifth, That, if approved, the Association be asked to give its support and encouragement, and make a note of its meeting in the minutes of the Association.

J. P. CAPPS.

OBITUARY.

Rev. D. B. Nelson, long known and most highly esteemed, in Western North Carolina, fell asleep at his home, near Hendersonville, August 28th, 1895.

He was born near Knoxville, Tenn., in the year 1831. When he was about thirteen years old, he became a Christian, and united with a Baptist church.

He was educated at Mossy Creek college, Tenn. The choice he

made for his life work was the profession of law.

When twenty years old he married Miss Sarah Vance, of Tennessee. He was teaching school when the call from the Lord came for him to enter the ministry. He tried to practice law and preach at the same time, but not succeeding in this, he gave up the law. He, himself, thought, at this time, that his life was a failure. Entering the ministry seemed to be the downfall of all his hopes and ambitions. But the will of the Lord must be done.

He commenced the regular work of the ministry in 1865, having the year before removed his family from Tennessee to Westren North Carolina. For ten years he served the American Sunday-school Union as their Missionary in the rough mountain districts of North Carolina, South Carolina and Northern Georgia.

After this time of service, he preached within the bounds of the Western North Carolina Convention till the time of his death.

For many years he was president of the Convention. He was editor of the *Blue Ridge Baptist*, published at Hendersonville, also while it was published at Asheville under the title of *"The Westren North Carolina Baptist."*

He served the Hendersonville church as regular pastor for over six years.

The church at Biltmore enjoyed his labors for tome years.

He was an ardent Prohibitionist, and was candidate for Auditor on Prohibition State ticket in 1892.

As a member of the Masonic order, he filled many positions of honor, among others, holding the office of Grand Chaplain for many years.

His labors were many, varied, and often arduous, but the whole man was thrown in what he believed to be the right ride.

Brother Nelson was a self made man; positive in his opinion; characterized for promptness in all appointments and engagements.

His sweet spirit and gentle manners drew all men toward him. The passing acquaintance respected him; and they, whose privilege it was to enter into intimacy, loved him.

His virtues are enshrined in memories of those who knew him, and " being dead, he yet speaketh."

"We live in deeds, not years; in thoughts, not breaths;
In feelings, not in figures on a dial.
We should count time by heart throbs. He must live
Who thinks most, feels the noblest, acts the best."

The next session of this Association will be held with the Green Mountain Baptist church, Henderson county, N. C., on Thursday before the 2nd Sunday in October, 1896. The Rev. J. L. Brookshire to areach the Intreductory sermon, with Rev. J. R. Rhoads as alternate. Rev. J. W. Justice to preach the Missionary sermon.

Constitution.

We, the members of the Baptist Church of Jesus Christ, who have, on profession of our faith in Him, been immersed, believing that the Holy Scriptures are the only standard of faith and duty for Christians, enjoining as they do zealous and continued effort in promoting the cause of our blessed Lord, do now unite in this Association under this Constitution, for the advancement of the objects therein stated.

ARTICLE I. This Association shall be called the CAROLINA BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, and shall be composed of representatives chosen by each church in the Union, from among the number of its own members, who shall carry to each meeting of the body, certificates of their election, with a statement of the membership, conditions, and prospects of the church they represent, the names of its licensed and ordained ministers, and such contributions as have been made for benevolent objects, which shall be appropriated only as the donors may direct.

II. This Association shall meet annually, and shall be organized as soon as the names of the representatives are enrolled, by the election of a Moderator, a Clerk, a Treasurer, and a Historian, by ballot, who shall hold offices until the next annual meeting.

III. Each church shall be entitled to a representation of three delegates, and an additional one for every fifty members in excess of one hundred, and all ordained ministers shall have seats as delegates.

IV. The Association shall be governed by such rules of order as it may from time to time adopt.

V. Any church holding the principles of the doctrines of Christ, and the order of His house, as generally held by those denominated Baptists, may connect itself with this Association at any meeting of the same.

VI. The decision of the Association shall, in all cases, except in the matter of amendments to the Constitution, be made by a majority vote, but amendments to the Constitution must be adopted by a two-thirds vote. Amendments may be adopted at any meeting of the Association.

VII. The Association reserves the inalienable right to withdraw from any church that abandons the principles of this organization.

VIII. This Association holds that the churches of Christ, thought not possessed of any sovereign authority, are, nevertheless, in their government, independent of each other, and of all other ecclesiastical organizations, and accountable to no tribunal, but to Christ only, and holds that while it is the duty of all churches, in temporal matters, to be obedient to the laws of the land, in spiritual matters, they should be obedient alone to Jesus Christ their only head and law-giver.

IX. While this Association holds that each church of Christ is an independent body, as above stated, it rather regards itself as an advisory council, but will not presume to dictate for the churches, but will give counsel, which the churches may receive or reject; but the Association is of opinion that the best mode of settling differences between churches, it to take the same scriptural steps as are prescribed for the settling of difficulties between members; that the church that feels agrieved should send a statement of the cause of grievance to the sister church which gave the offence, and if it will not give Christian satisfaction, then call upon one or two sister churches to assist in a settlement, and if the offending church will not listen then, then report the same to this body which will not pay attention to such complaints unless the above course of procedure has been complied with.

X. This Association will not admit, or receive, any church into membership in the union, that is known to be in disorder, or composed of members excluded from another church of the same order as this Associatian.

XI. Any church in good standing in this Association shall at any

time be allowed the privilege of withdrawing from the same by letter.

XII. This Association may correspond and form a brotherly union with any Baptist organization holding similar views of doctrines and duty, with those held by this body.

XIII. This Association may appoint as many boards, or committees, as may be necessary for carrying on the business and accomplishing the objects of its organization. These, when so appointed, shall make reports at the times appointed by the Association.

XIV. The minutes shall be read and corrected, if necessary, in the morning of each day of the session, and at the close of the last day.

XV. As the business of the Association must be finished before its adjournment no member shall be allowed to depart from any of its sessions without leave.

XVI. The objects of the Association shall be the circulation of the Scriptures in destitute places, the encouragement and aid of Foreign, Home, Conventional and Associational Missions, Education, Sunday-schools, and Temperance.

XVII. The Association shall keep a book in which this Constitution, and a minute of each session shall be recorded, which book shall be present at every meeting of the Association.

Sunday-school Statistics.

CHURCHES.	SUPERINTENDENTS.	Number of Teachers.	Number of Scholars.	Average Attendance.	Contributed for School.	Contributed for Other Purposes
Hendersonville	T. J. Rickman	8	125	80	$43.36	$20.00
Liberty	J. C. Wall	3	50	38	3.50	.....
Mt. Crystal	J. R. Carver	3	53	40	.....	.....
Mt. Gilead	Rev. G. K. Moore	.....	60	32	4.25	8.25
Oak Grove	H. P. Kuykendall	4	.....	28	.....	.....
Riverside	.....	4	44	35	4.98	1.38
Shaws' Creek	M. E. Cox	5	.....	32	4.40	.....
Saluda	.....	5	40	.....	4.27	.65
Salem	J. Youngblood	5	70	35	.....	.....
Refuge*	J. W. Staton	3	60	50	5.50	.....
Broad River	J. M. Ownbey	3	63	43	1.50	.....
Bealah*	Y. D. Moore	5	67	.....	8.43	.....
Mt. Olivet	.....	3	30	.....	.....	1.65
Bat Cave	J. H. Freeman	4	90	.....	8.87	.....
French Broad	.....	3	.....	40	2.50	.....

*Refuge and Beulah churches have branch schools.

Errata.—In the list of ordained ministers, on page 2, R. T. Blythe should read R. T. Jone.

STATISTICAL TABLE OF THE CHURCHES

CHURCHES	PASTORS.	CLERKS.	POST OFFICE.	Meeting Days	Baptised	Received by Letter	Restored	Dismissed by Letter	Excluded	
Broad River	Juo. J. Justice	Jas. M. Ownbey	Broad River	4	8	12	2	15	7	
Bear Wallow	W S. Huntley	H. R Freeman	Pump	3	18	1	8	7	.....	
Beul h	J J. Gray	W. T. Drake	Bowman's Bluff	1	6	3	1	5	1	
Bat Cave	A. I Justice	A. E. Hudgins	Bat Cave	1	1	44	.....	2	.....	
Cross Roads	W. H. Jones	W J. Jones	Dana	3	.....	2	4	3	.....	
Cedar Springs	R. F. Hamilton	J C. Capps	Zirconia	1	.....	1	1	3	.....	
Crab Creek	J. R. Rhodes	Elijah Osteen	Osteen	1	.....	2	.....	.....	1	
Double Springs	M. E. Smith	G. B Hudson	Splendor	4	.....	.....	.....	5	.....	
Ebenezer	J W Anderson	J. J. Blythe	Hendersonville	2	.....	.....	.....	1	1	
French Broad	J. L Brookshire	J C. Morgan	Hendersonville	1	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Green Mountain	A I. Justice	Jay W Freeman	Fruitland	.....	25	6	1	1	1	
Green River	W. B. Johnson	J. B. F. Pace	Zirconia	2	.....	5	.....	.....	.....	
Hoopers Creek	J. L. Brookshire	R. M. Prior	Fletcher	2	.....	.....	.....	4	5	
Hendersonville	Samuel S Gibson	A. B. Freeman	Hendersonville	Su	.....	2	.....	14	.....	
Liberty	W. S. Huntley	J. O. Wall	Maxwell	4	.....	1	1	2	2	
Mt. Olivet	J. W. Anderson	Jno. C Ward	Flat Rock	4	17	.....	.....	5	.....	
Mt. Moriah	J. L Brookshire	Geo W Ledbetter	Edneyville	3	21	7	.....	11	3	
Mt. Crystal	J. L. McCarson	Wm. Mintz	Hendersonville	4	9	9	1	3	.....	
Mounthin Page	J. T. Singleton	W. I. Davis	Saluda	1	18	7	3	9	5	
Mud Creek	W. B. Johnson	J. H. Beck	Hendersonville	4	1	1	.....	5	.....	
Mountain Valley	Wm. H Jones	Thos. E Pace	Fish Top, S. C	2	.....	1	.....	.....	3	
Mountain Hill	P. A. Kuykendall	Jas. E. Lindsey	Merrittsville, S. C	4	.....	1	5	8	2	
Mt. Gilead	J. F. Woodfin	.....	.....	.....	5	4	.....	4	.....	
Oak Grove	J L Brookshire	Chas. Stieperel	Flat Rock	1	.....	5	6	.....	4	
Piney Grove	P A. Kuykendall	W. C. Lindsay	Tryon	2	7	15	.....	.....	.....	
Refuge	J T Singleton	P. T. Ward	Dana	.....	26	8	3	3	2	
Riverside	J. J. Gray	Wm. N. Corn	Yale	3	.....	4	.....	2	2	
Shaws Creek	J. J. Gray	W D. Rymer	Hendersonville	2	.....	.....	.....	2	2	
Saluda	J A. Staton	J. I. Davis	Saluda	3	.....	5	.....	1	.....	
Salem	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	

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1896.

Twentieth Annual Session.

Held With Green Mountain Church.

Ordained Ministers.

J. W. Anderson, Delmont.
James Blythe, Saluda.
J. L. Brookshire, Flat Rock.
T. L. Brown, Hendersonville.
N. W. Corn, Lead.
S. S. Gibson, Hendersonville.
J. J. Gray, Bowman's Bluff.
L. C. Hamilton, Bowman's Bluff.
R. F. Hamilton, Osteen.
F. C. Hamric, Pump.
J. R. Heatherly, Saluda.
Richard Hudgins, Bat Cave.
W. S. Huntley, Bear Wallow.
W. B. Johnson, Grandeur, S. C.
G. W. Johnson, Hendersonville.
G. S. Jones, Hendersonville.
W. H. Jones, Blueridge.
R. T. Jones, Saluda.
J. W. Justice, Blueridge.
J. J. Justice, Blueridge.
P. A. Kuykendall, Zirconia.
W. L. Kuykendall, Saluda.
G. W. Mace, Bowman's Bluff.
J. L. McCarson, Hendersonville.
J. B. Middleton, Saluda.
G. K. Moore, Gypsey.
E. R. Nelson, Hendersonville.
H. P. Patton, Saluda.
J. R. Rhodes, Saluda.
M. M. Staton, Saluda.
J. A. Staton, Dana.
James Stepp, Dana.

The next session will be held with Mills River Church, beginning Thursday before the second Sunday in October, 1897.

PROCEEDINGS.

GREEN MOUNTAIN CHURCH,
HENDERSON COUNTY, N. C., October 8, 1896.

The Carolina Baptist Association convened this day, in its twentieth annual session at 11 o'clock, a. m., and was called to order by former Moderator, Rev. W. B. Johnson, who read the twelfth chapter of Romans. Prayer by Rev. A. I. Justice.

The Moderator appointed M. W. Egerton and C. F. Toms to act as reading clerks.

On call of the Moderator, letters were read from the following churches, and delegates' names enrolled as follows:

Bat Cave—W. B. Searcy, D. L. Clements, J. A. Williams, Russel Oates, M. A. Barnwell, J. W. G. Dotson.

Bear Wallow—L. H. Freeman, M. L. Hamric, H. R. Freeman.

Ebenezer—John Holbert, William Maxwell, J. J. Blythe.

Green Mountain—L. P. Pitilow, Jas. Mills, Brownlow Jackson, A. M. Maxwell, J. B. Freeman, J. W. Freeman.

Green River—J. B. F. Pace, H. W. Sentell, J. V. Pace, G. C. Bedingfield. Alternate, Luther Peace.

Hendersonville—A. B. Freeman, J. Williams, James Laughter, N. Buckner, James Waldrop, S. J. Justice, T. J. Shipman, C. F. Toms, M. W. Egerton, Rev. G. S. Jones, Rev. S. S. Gibson.

Mt. Moriah—William Jackson, J. H. Justice, W. B. Williams, John Stepp, D. H. Clark, D. G. Hart, J. B. Lamb. Alternates, A. T. Hart, S. B. Nanney.

Mountain Hill—Decatur Howard, William Pruit, John Plumbley. Alternates, George Plumbley, H. L. Emery, Allen Gosnell.

Mountain Page—John T. Staton, R. W. I. Pace, D. W. Robertson, A. W. Russell, R. B. Hipps, J. M. Bell, L. E. Ward.

Mountain Valley—James Stepp, J. D. Johnson, T. E. Pace.

Mud Creek—W. E. Jackson, P. M. Jones, J. H. Beck.

Oak Grove—William Anders, J. F. Brookshire, John Kuykendall, J. B. Brookshire.

Piney Grove—W. C. Lindsey, C. A. Gosnell, John Howard.

Riverside—J. E. Dalton, J. W. Summey, L. M. Redden, W. N. Corn.

Refuge—B. Williams, R. Brock, H. C. Pace, J. T. Pace, S. M. King, J. K. Hill, R. H. Staton, P. T. Ward.

Salem—T. B. Hutchins, W. J. Baldwin, T. A. Merrell, N. B. Baldwin. Wm. Dockins, L. R. Drake, W. B. Newman.

Saluda—John Johnson, R.W. Pace, J. I. Davis, M. C. Johnson.

Permanent organization was then announced, by the Moderator, to be in order.

After the election the following officers were reported elected:

Moderator, W. B. Johnson; Clerk, T. Luther Brown; Treasurer, P. T. Ward; Historian, Rev. S. S. Gibson.

Adjourned for one hour, during which time dinner was served on the ground.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Re-assembled at 1:10 p. m., by singing. Prayer by Rev. M. P. Matheny.

Introductory sermon was preached by Rev. M. P. Matheny from John 1:14. Prayer by Rev. A. E. Brown.

The body was then called to order by the Moderator.

Letters from the following churches were read and names of delegates enrolled as follows:

Beula—Rev. G. W. Mace, Rev. L. C. Hamilton, Rev. J. J. Gray, W. T. Drake, W. A. Morris, H. D. Drake, Y. D. Moore, S. A. Mace, H. C. Revis. Alternates, R. K. Orr, R. F. Orr, J. W. Bryan, J. B. F. Revis, G. C. Orr, T. A. Drake, Jr.

Crab Creek—E. B. Sentell, W. C. Raines, J. L. Evans, Elisha Osteen, J. W. Anderson. Alternates, J. G. Patterson, Joseph Rhodes, D. McCrary, P. P. Evans.

Liberty—J. W. Wilson, J. O. Wall, M. P. Case. Alternate, J. W. Lyda.

Mt. Gilead—Rev. T. L. Brown, Rev. G. K. Moore, H. B. Miles, T. L. Spivey, J. I. Rhodes.

Shaw's Crab—Rev. G. W. Johnson, Rev. J. L. McCarson, W. J. Davis, W. D. Rymer.

The doors of the Association were opened for the reception of new churches. Received Middle Fork Church. The right hand of fellowship was extended by the Moderator to her delegates, whose names were enrolled as follows:

Middle Fork—D. P. Laughter, John Hill, F. J. Huntley.

Corresponding delegates and visiting brethren were invited to seats. The following responded:

Rev. M. P. Matheny, editor of "The Southern Baptist," from the Buncombe County Association; Rev. J. T. Singleton, from the North Greenville Association; Rev. A. E. Brown, Rev. S. C. Owen, Mission Secretary of the W. N. C. Baptist Convention, and Rev. A. I. Justice, from the Buncombe County Association.

The Moderator appointed committees as follows:

Sunday-schools—Rev. G. S. Jones and Chas. F. Toms.

Obituaries—T. J. Rickman and Wm. Jackson.

State of Religion—J. O. Wall and John Kuykendall.

Union Meetings—A. T. Hart and N. W. Corn.

Nominations—P. T. Ward and W. C. Lindsey.

Finance—J. I. Davis and J. S. Bhodes.

Time and Place—W. J. Davis and Reuben Brock.

Education—Y. D. Moore and S. B. Nanney.

Home and Convential Missions—Rev. S. C. Owen and J. T. Staton.

Periodicals—J. J. Blythe and J. B. F. Pace.

Orphanage—Jay W. Freeman and W. J. Baldwin.

Temperance—John W. Staton and P. M. Jones.

Foreign Missions—Rev. S. S. Gibson and M. A. Barnwell.

Religious Exercises—Pastor and Deacons of Green Mountain Church.

On motion this body requests the authorities of the W. N. C. Convention to furnish the churches of this Association with blank Associational letters.

On motion the Moderator appointed J. W. Freeman, T. L.

Brown and J. L. Evans a committee on the revision of ministers' names.

Adjourned to meet at 9:30 a m. to-morrow.

SECOND DAY.

Met at 9:30 a. m. with the Moderator in the chair.

Song, "The Unclouded Day." The 8th chapter of Romans was read by the Moderator. Prayer by Rev. S. S. Gibson.

The minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

The Moderator called for letters. Hooper's Creek and Pleasant Hill responded, and the names of their delegates were enrolled as follows:

Hooper's Creek—W M. Maxwell, R. M. Prior, L. V. Kimbrell, V. B. Russell.

Pleasant Hill—J. R. Brown, W. C. Wilkie, A. G. Johnson, E. A. Drake, J. S. Hefner.

Thos. Allen, from Mills River Church, and Ed. Osteen, from Mt. Olivet Church, in the absence of letters from those churches, were recognized as members of this body.

On motion the report of the Associational Executive Board was made a special order for 1 p. m. this afternoon.

Committee on Periodicals reported.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

The press is one of the greatest powers for good or evil that there is in the land. Our people are slow to learn that the emisaries of Satan are in this field for all it is worth and that the only way to counteract the pernicious influence of this literature is by the use of good, wholesome, religious literature. No Christian family can afford to be without a good religious paper, and no Baptist can afford to be without a good Baptist paper. We are glad to note that the "Southern Baptist," published in the interest of our work, has increased its circulation more than four-fold within the past year. We commend it to our people as every way worthy of their support. In addition to the "Southern Baptist" we com-

mend the "Biblical Recorder," "Charity and Children," the "Foreign Mission Journal," and the literature of the Sunday-school Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, published at Nashville, Tennessee.

Respectfully submitted, J. J. BLYTHE, *Ch'm'n*,
J. B. F. PACE,
Committee.

Motion to adopt. Remarks by J. J. Blythe and Editor M. P. Matheny.

Report was adopted.

Report on Education was read.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

Feeling humbly grateful to God for the mental and moral faculties which distinguish us from lower aninals, your committee beg leave to urge upon our people the importance of developing these faculties for the glory of God, which is but their reasonable duty. We should gladly embrace the opportunities offered by our public school system. The greatest bane to the system is irregular attendance, which evil we specially urge our people to correct.

For higher education we recommend the many good preparatory schools in Western North Carolina, chief of which in Henderson County, being Prof. Woodley's school at Hendersonville, and our great Baptist College, Wake Forest We further urge our people to liberally use their means in the education of worthy young men for the ministry. Respectfully submitted,

Y. D. MOORE, *Chairman.*

This report was adopted with the following amendment:

We do heartily recommend to our people the old and reliable Baptist school, Mars Hill College. It should be well patronized.

Motion to adopt. Discussed by Revs. S. S. Gibson, M. P. Matheny, A. I. Justice, A. E. Brown, and Brethren J. B. Freeman, T. J. Rickman, J. H. Justice. Report was adopted.

On motion, a committee of five was appointed to make any and the best arrangements possible in regard to the establishing of a high school within the territory of this Association. Committee: J. Williams, J. T. Staton, J. S. Rhodes, J. W. Freeman, W. J. Davis.

Adjourned for a recess of one hour.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The body was called to order by the Moderator. Prayer by Rev. S. C. Owen.

Report of Committee on Religious Exercises was read and adopted.

The Associational Executive Board presented their report.

REPORT OF ASSOCIATIONAL EXECUTIVE BOARD.

Your Executive Board begs to submit the following as its report for the past year: All things considered, we think our missionary, Brother Brown, has done a good year's work. We say all things considered, for some of our pastors are not in sympathy with our mission work. In fact, if we are to judge them by what they do, they are anti-missionaries. The following is, in part, what Brother Brown has done the past year: Days of service, 318; miles traveled, 2,003; sermons preached, 172; addresses made, 8; religious visits, 338; prayer meetings conducted, 20; professions witnessed, 58; institutes held, 7; collected on his salary, $162.42.

Plans of Work for the Coming Year.—In the ordinary acceptation of the term, we have no destitution in our Association. We do not know of a single place in the Association where there is room for another church. If a few of our weaker churches would dissolve and unite with stronger churches near them, it would doubtless be an advantage. We are not destitute of preachers. We have thirty ordained and six licensed preachers, and forty churches, with 4,000 members] Yet, we have destitution. But few of them are doing anything toward carrying out the marching orders of our Savior, "Go ye into all the world." Very many of our Churches are practically dead—are not carrying out the design of the Church, and hence, in an important sense, are not churches. Our preachers are responsible for this state of affairs. They are the leaders. A church cannot rise above its pastor. If the pastors would show the people that the Bible teaches missions, they would give.

To remedy this situation is now the work before us. What shall be done? Four thousand Baptists are practically doing nothing toward saving the world! We believe the plan of holding institutes, as during the past year, where practical church work is discussed—where how to do, as well as what to do, is studied—where the stronger help the weaker—is the better plan. If our preachers and churches cannot be reached in this way we do not now see how it can be done. One thing we do need above all others, and that is guidance of the Holy Spirit in this work. We suggest that we need a missionary in this Association—not to visit churches where they have pastors, or to hold protracted meetings with them—but to hold institutes. We also suggest that every pastor should take an interest in them and help to resuscitate the do-nothing pastors and churches.

J. L. BROOKSHIRE,
W. J DAVIS,
Committee.

Motion to adopt. Discussed by Revs. M. P. Matheny, J. L.

Brookshire, S. C. Owen, A. I. Justice, G. W. Johnson. The report was then adopted.

Committee on Obituaries presented

REPORT ON OBITUARIES.

We, your Committee on Obituaries, beg leave to report that there have been thirty-three deaths since the last meeting of the Association. Among the number of those who have "gone before," may be mentioned Dr. Thomas R. Egerton, Thomas Marshall and two of his daughters, Solomon Whitaker, Anna Justice, and others, whose names are unknown to the committee. "Be ye also ready, for in such an hour as ye think not the Son of Man cometh."

Respectfully submitted, WILLIAM JACKON,
T. J. RICKMAN,
Committee.

Adjourned till 9:30 a. m., to-morrow. Benediction by Rev. S. S. Gibson.

THIRD DAY.

The Association assembled at 9 : 30 a. m., with the Moderator in the chair.

Devotional exercises were conducted by the Moderator, who read the first Psalm. Prayer by Rev. J. L. Brookshire.

The following was offered by Rev. S. C. Owen :

Resolved, That the Carolina Association, now in session, October 10, 1896, do extend to the trustees of Wake Forest College the assurance of its most hearty sympathy and co-operation in their purchase of Judson College as a high school to be run by and in the interest of Wake Forest College.

Adopted unanimously, and Rev. S. S. Gibson was requested to furnish said Board of Trustees with a copy of the resolution.

On motion the body went into the election of a missionary for the Association for the ensuing year. Rev. T. Luther Brown was unanimously re-elected.

Committee on Time and Place reported.

Place—Mills River Baptist Church.

Time—Thursday before the second Sunday in October, 1897. Introductory sermon to be preached by Rev. S. S. Gibson.

Report adopted.

The following amounts were then pledged for Associational Missions :

Bear Wallow, $5 ; Beulah, $5 ; Bat Cave, $10 ; H. D. Drake, $1 ; W.

T. Drake, 50 cents; S. A. Mace, 50 cents; Y. D. Moore, 50 cents; J. J. Blythe, $1; Green Mountain, $10; Green River, $5; Hooper's Creek, $10; Hendersonville, $20; Ebenezer, $5; J. L. Evans, $1; Liberty, $5; Mt. Moriah, $10; R. W. I. Pace, $1; Mud Creek, $3; C. F. Toms, $5; Mountain Valley, $5; Mt. Gilead, $10; Oak Grove, $5; Refuge, $5; J. S. Rhodes, $2.50; J. W. Freeman, $2.50; J. B. Wall, $1; R. H. Staton, $1; J. F. Brookshire. $1; Shaw's Creek, $6; Salem, $7; Pleasant Hill, $5; Pleasant Grove (No. 2.), $2.50; Golden Hill, $5; S. J. and S. M. Blythe, $5; Hendersonville Sunday-school, $5; Green Mountain Woman's Missionary Society, $5; Saluda, $5; Refuge Woman's Mississionary Society, $2.50; Hendersonville Woman's Missionary Society, $5; Mt. Gilead Woman's Missionary Society, $5; A. T. Hart, $1; Crab Creek Woman's Missionary Society, $1: Salem Woman's Missionary Society, $2.50; J L. Freeman, $1; J. Williams, $1; J. T. Staton, $1; A. I. Justice, $1; J. K. Hill, $1; Mills River, $10. Total $209.

Committee on Nominations reported.

REPORT ON NOMINATIONS.

We, your Committee on Nominations, beg leave to submit the following report; On Associational and Sunday-school Board, Rev. G. S. Jones, L. H. Freeman, W. B. Case, A. T. Hart, Jay W. Freeman, J. S. Rhodes.

Respectfully submitted,

P. T. WARD,
W. C. LINDSEY.
Committee.

The report on Sunday-schools was read.

REPORT ON SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.

The seed to be sown is the word of God. The ground best adapted to its quick germination, its healthy growth, and most hopeful results, is the fertile soil found in tender, trustful childhood. It is a source of much gratification to know that so many of our churches are at work in this fruitful field of Christian labor. Statistics gathered from letters now on our secretary's table, show a better average attendance and a larger aggregate enrollment of teachers and scholars than was reported to this body one year ago. It is also a fact of pleasing significance that much better homes are being provided for our Sunday gatherings in various parts of the Associational territory—the rude cabin, the poorly lighted and heated school-house, is giving place to larger and more comfortable accommodations—a fact pleasingly evidenced in the cozy room we now occupy, fresh from the hand of the carpenter, a fitting exponent of neighborly co-operation, reflecting honor on the community. While the use of good literature, such as can be obtained at the Raleigh Supply Store, through the Sunday-school Board at Nashville, Tenn., or from the American Baptist Publishing Society in Philadelphia, is worthy of our earnest recommendation, as aids to class-room instruction, yet, as Baptist people, we are not to allow such facilities to drive out of our Sunday-schools the time-honored custom of Bible reading, and memorizing verses

and chapters. We recommend the holding of Sunday-school conferences and collection of funds at least once a month, for aiding the Baptist Orphana e at Thomasville, N. C.

The outlook is decidedly encouraging. The "roll book" now shows 1589 members in schools reported, and at least 345 in schools not reported. This gives us over a hundred per cent advance on last year. We can truly say, well done, brethren. And let us do better during the current year, singing with hearty good cheer: "We'll work till Jesus comes."

G. S. JONES,
C. F. TOMS,
Committee.

Motion to adopt. Brother C. F. Toms addressed the Association on the report, after which it was adopted.

The committee on Home and Conventional Missions presented

REPORT ON HOME AND CONVENTIONAL MISSIONS.

Our Home Board at Atlanta, Ga., manages our home mission work. Its fields of operation is in Cuba, the Southern States and the Indian Territory. Last year it had 411 missionaries in the field, through whose labors 13,295 were added to the churches. Many of the churches in our towns and cities have been planted by this board. Our own Convention has been receiving help from it for several years. It is impossible for us to tell to what extent the prosperity of the Baptist cause in the South is due to the labors of this board. One thing is known, and that is, the Baptists of the South have prospered as no other people on earth. We now number one and a half million white, and one million colored Baptists. This board takes the money of the stronger churches and helps the weaker ones, and plants churches where there are none. It deserves the help of all our churches. We should take regular collections for it.

Conventional Missions is the mission work of our own territory, and is managed by a board located at Asheville, N. C. It has had from 8 to 10 missionaries on the field this year, one of whom has been in your Association. This has been a prosperous year's work in our convention, although the hardest in its history for money. The Board wil go to the Convention in Brevard the 21st inst., nearly $300 in debt for labor done and due our missionaries, unless the pastors lay this matter before their churches and give relief. We are hopeful that they will have done this by that time. Our work is very hopeful and if we can begin another year's work free of debt, we shall look for the most prosperous one in our history.

Through the campaign of institutes the past year, many of the churches and pastors have been stimulated to better methods of work. Some of the churches are demanding more and better preaching. Some of the pastors are asking that their churches shall support them for all their time they can give to the ministry of the word. We look forward to the time when this much-needed

change will come. We recommend the mission card system of collections being introduced into our churches. We believe, if adopted and practiced in the churches, the question of how to raise money will have been solved.

S. C. OWEN, *Chairman.*

Motion to adopt. Remarks by Rev. S. C. Owen, after which a collection for Home and Conventional Missions, amounting to $10,37, was taken.

Report was then adopted. Adjourned for one hour.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Reassembled by singing.

The Committee on the Orphanage reported.

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE.

Your committee on Orphanage beg to say that, in their opinion, the Carolina Association has, to some extent, lost its interest in caring for the poor unfortunate orphans of this Association. We recommend that this body, at this session, endeavor to impress the brethren, and especially the pastors of the various churches, with the importance of sustaining our orphanage at Thomasville, N. C.

JAY W. FREEMAN,
W. J. BALDWIN.

Motion to adopt. Remarks by Rev. A. I. Justice. The report was amended by recommending the churches to take monthly collections in their Sunday-schools for the orphanage. The report was then adopted.

Committee on Temperance reported.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

Your committee is pleased to report that intemperance, in the bounds of the Carolina Association, is on the decline. The churches, in the main, are extricating themselves from the awful fiend that is damning more souls, and distressing the morals of our country more than all other evils combined.

The Gospel, being mightier than a two-edged sword, should be the prime weapon with which to put this great monster to flight.

We further believe that it is the unbounded duty of this Association to impress upon our pastors the importance of enlightening the churches on the great subject of temperance.

J. W. STATON,
P. M. JONES,

At this juncture the rules were suspended to hear the report on Finance.

REPORT ON FINANCE.

Your Committee on Finance find thet the churches of the Association have sent up $20.12 for the printing of minutes

J. I. DAVIS,
J. S. RHODES,

The report was adopted. The report on Temperance was again taken up, and was discussed by Rev. J. L. Brookshire and Brother John Jordan. The report was then adopted.

The Committee on Union Meetings reported.

REPORT ON UNION MEETINGS.

Your committee recommend that institute work, which has been pursued during the past year under the direction of our missionary, be adopted for the incoming year in the place of union meetings. A. T. HART.

Report was adopted.

At the suggestion of J. B. Freeman, a collection was taken for Rev. James Blythe, amounting to $5.32.

On motion, a committee was appointed to look after and see that Father Blythe receives proper attention. The Moderator appointed the committee as follows: J. I. Davis, John Johnson, Ransom Pace, J. T. Staton.

The Committee on State of Religion presented

REPORT ON STATE OF RELIGION.

Your Committee on State of Religion submits the following: From letters from the churches, we find that during the past year there have been 184 baptisms within the bounds of the Association, which is twenty-eight less than the number reported last year. But in the contributions for missions, we are pleased to note an increase of $81.52, making a total contribution of $184 during the past year. May God help us to fully awaken to a sense of our duty along all the lines of Christian work.

J. O. WALL,
JOHN KUYKENDALL,
Committee.

Report was adopted.

The report on Foreign Missions was read.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Under the stress of hard times at home, and unsettled conditions on fields of labor, the past twelve months have given evidence that God is with the missionary and the missionary church. Progress has been made.

Enlarged work and meager contributions have emptied the treasury of the Foreign Mission Board. This will mean retrenchment and failure, unless help is given speedily. We urge a generous response by every church in this Association to the appeal from the Foreign Mission Board. Again, we ask for the re adoption of the following, taken from the report of 1895:

"To reach this desired end, we suggest that a missionary correspondent be

appointed, whose duty shall be to see that literature and general information be given to the church.

"Also that each church, at its first meeting, appoint a committee whose duty it shall be to circulate the literature and information, collect funds and do whatsoever else that will keep that important work before the churches."

S. S. GIBSON,
M. A. BARNWELL,
Committee.

Motion to adopt. Remarks by Revs. S. S. Gibson and S. C. Owen. Report was then adopted.

The Treasurer's report was read and adopted as follows:

TREASURER'S REPORT—RECEIPTS.

Hendersonville Church	$16 74
Salem Church	5 00
Refuge Church	5 00
Received for Minutes	22 60
	$49 34

Respectfully, P. T. WARD, *Treasurer.*

The following resolution was offered and adopted:

Resolved, That it be ordered by this Association that the Clerk be allowed $10 00 for his services in compiling the minutes, and that he spend the remainder for publication of the same. J. L. BROOKSHIRE.

On motion, the Moderator appointed J. Williams delegate from this body to the Southern Baptist Convention, with Rev. S. S. Gibson alternate.

On motion, Rev. J. L. Brookshire, John Jordan and Rev. J. A. Staton, were appointed delegates from this Assoctation to the Western North Carolina Convention.

The following resolution was then offered and adopted:

Resolved, That this Association hereby tender its thanks to the members of Green Mountain church, and the friends in the community for their adundant hospitality and care of us during this session. S. S. GIBSON.

After a few remarks by the Moderator, the Association adjourned to meet with Mills River Baptist Church, Thursday before the second Sunday in October, 1897.

W. B. JOHNSON, MODERATOR.

T. L. BROWN, CLERK.

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SUNDAY.

Met at 10 a. m. in a Sunday-school mass-meeting. Addresses by Revs. S. C. Owen and W. B. Johnson.

At 11 a. m. Rev. M. P. Matheny preached at the church, and Rev. S. C. Owen in a school house near the church. A collection for foreign missions was taken, amounting to $6.37.

T. L. BROWN, CLERK.

Sunday-School Statistics.

CHURCHES.	SUP'T'S.	Number of Teachers.	Number of Scholars.	Average Attendance.	Contributed for School.	Contributed for Other Purposes.	REMARKS.
Bear Wallow	T. M. Merrell	3			$ 3 10		
Beulah	G. C. Orr	5	76	40	3 25		
Beulah (branch)	Jas. Lesslie	4	76	55	1 88		
Bat Cave	W. B. Searcy	5	80	52	10 38	4 00	
Crab Creek	J. L. Evans	3	112	49	7 21	1 25	
Ebenezer	D. F. Brevard						Recently organized.
Green Mountain	J. B. Wall				10 00		
Hoopers Creek							Reports a school.
Liberty	J. W. Lyda	3	35		3 00		
Liberty (branch)	E. R. Wilson		56		1 82		
Hendersonville	O. V. F. Blythe	9	232		54 66	36 06	50 church members in school.
Middle Fork	F. J. Huntley	4	60	33	1 92	1 94	
Mt. Moriah	A. T. Hart	4	65	30	3 57		
Mt. Gilead	G. K. Moore	4	63		4 50	6 00	
Mountain Page	J. M. Bell	3		53	2 45		
Mountain Valley							Reports a school.
Pleasant Hill	J. R. Wilkie	8	110	70	12 48	21 63	
Refuge	J. W. Staton	4	112	80	8 60		18 conversions in school.
Riverside	W. B. Case	3	62		4 35		
Salem	J. T. Sales		50	30	7 00		
Saluda	R. T. Jones	4	60		6 42		
Shaw's Creek	M. E. Cox	4	74		8 53	3 47	20 church members in school.

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Statistical Table of the Churches for 1

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	CLERKS.	POST OFFICE.	Meeting Day.	Baptized.	Received by Letter.	Restored.	Dismissed by Letter.	Excluded.	Dead.	Male Members.	Female Members.	Total Membership.	When Constituted.	Associational Missions.
Barnwell *	M. P. Case	Allen Laughter	Pump	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	$ 3 14
Broad River *	E. Jackson	Joshua Owenby	Broad River	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	11 00
Bear Wallow	W. S. Huntley	H R. Freeman	Pump	3	.	2	1	5	.	2	29	36	65	.	5 00
Beulah	J. J Gray	W. T. Drake	Bowman's Bluff	1	7	1	.	1	.	1	81	143	224	1815	5 00
Bat Cave	A. I. Justice	A. E. Hudgins	Bat Cave	1	5	3	.	6	2	.	36	68	104	1892	5 00
Cross Roads *	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	. .
Cedar Springs *	R. F. Hamilton	J. C. Capps	Lead	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	. .
Crab Creek	J. W. Anderson	Elisha Osteen	Osteen	2	14	8	1	4	1	6	59	90	149	1834	2 35
Double Springs *	M. E. Smith	G. B. Hudson	Splendor	4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	. .
Ebenezer	J. W. Anderson	J. J. Blythe	Hendersonville	1	2	.	1	3	1	2	27	46	73	. .	5 20
Fork Creek *	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	. .
French Broad *	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	. .
Friendship *	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	. .
Golden Hill *	W. H. Jones	. . . . .	Blueridge	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	5 00
Green Mountain	A. I. Justice	J. W. Freeman	Fruitland	2	19	.	1	1	1	.	.	.	141	1867	5 00
Green River	W. B. Johnson	J. B. F. Pace	Zirconia	2	13	.	.	2	2	.	.	.	113	. .	7 11
Hendersonville †	S. S. Gibson	A. B. Freeman	Hendersonville	‡	17	6	1	13	.	1	80	118	198	1842	16 74
Holly Springs *	J. W. Anderson	. . . . .	Grange	4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1 20
Hooper's Creek	J. L. Brookshire	R. M. Prior	Fletchers	2	12	.	1	7	9	1	38	49	87	1856	6 32
Liberty	W. S. Huntley	J. M Williams	Maxwell	4	.	2	1	3	.	.	24	51	75	1845	5 00
Middle Fork	W. S. Huntley	W. F. Huntley	Bear Wallow	4	7	.	1	8	12	.	14	43	55	1886	12 31
Mills River	E. J. Morgan	. . . . .	Sitton	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	. .
Mt. Crystal *	J. L. McCarson	. . . . .	Hendersonville	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	. .
Mt. Gilead	T. L. Brown	J. S. Rhodes	Angeline	4	1	11	.	5	1	1	39	55	94	1883	5 31
Mt. Olivet	W. B. Johnson	. . . . .	Flat Rock	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1 82
Mt. Moriah	J. L. Brookshire	G. W. Ledbetter	Edneyville	4	3	10	.	2	5	6	81	107	188	. .	5 95
Mountain Page	J. I. Singleton	W. T. Davis	Saluda	1	6	2	.	.	4	2	173	132	305	. .	5 00
Mountain Hill	P. A. Kuykendall	Willie Pruit	Merrittsville, S. C.	.	.	1	.	8	3	2	.	.	70	. .	. .
Mountain Valley	W. H. Jones	T. E. Pace	Fish Top	2	7	.	1	6	2	.	40	75	115	. .	. .
Mud Creek	W. B. Johnson	J. H. Beck	Hendersonville	4	1	1	.	.	1	2	22	43	65	1800	2 00
Oak Grove	J. R. Rhodes	Charles Shepperd	Flat Rock	1	2	2	1	5	3	.	27	41	68	1875	5 00
Piney Grove	P. A. Kuykendall	W. C. Lindsey	Tryon	2	1	2	1	.	.	.	8	12	20	. .	. .
Pleasant Hill	J W. Anderson	A. G. Johnson	Delmont	3	.	4	.	1	2	4	50	80	130	. .	1 22
Pleasant Grove (1) *	W. H. Jones	. . . . .	Bowman's Bluff	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	. .
Pleasant Grove (2) *	E. J. Morgan	. . . . .	Pink Bed	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	. .
Refuge	J. T. Singleton	P. T. Ward	Dana	2	21	4	.	3	5	1	87	160	253	. .	5 00
Riverside	J. J. Gray	W N. Corn	Yale	3	12	4	.	.	.	1	30	38	68	1888	3 70
Salem	E. J. Harrell	W. J. Baldwin	Fletchers	1	32	4	1	2	.	1	67	85	152	1838	5 00
Saluda	W. L. Kuykendall	J. I. Davis	Saluda	3	2	10	.	3	.	.	26	48	74	1888	2 05
Shaw's Creek	J. J. Gray	W. D. Rymer	Hendersonville	2	.	4	.	1	3	.	47	74	121	1873	5 00

* Not represented. † Hendersonville Woman's Missionary Society contributed for Missions, $

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PROCEEDINGS

— OF THE —

Twenty-first Annual Session

The Carolina Baptist Association,

HELD WITH THE

Mills River Baptist Church, October 7th, 8th and 9th, 1897.

Compiled by A. B. Freeman, Clerk, Hendersonville, N. C.

OFFICERS:

Rev. W. B. JOHNSON.	Moderator.
A. B. FREEMAN.	Clerk.
W. J. DAVIS.	Treasurer.
Rev. S. S. GIBSON.	Historian.

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Ordained Ministers.

J. W. Anderson, Dana.
James Blythe, Saluda.
J. L. Brookshire, Flat Rock.
T. L. Brown, Mills River.
N. W. Corn, Lead.
S. S. Gibson, Hendersonville.
J. J. Gray, Bowman's Bluff.
L. C. Hamilton " "
R. F. Hamilton, Osteen.
F. C. Hamrick, Pump.
J. R. Heatherly, Saluda.
R. Hudgins, Bat Cave.
W. S. Huntley, Bear Wallow.
W. B Johnson, Grandeur S. C.
G. W. Johnson, Hendersonville
G. S. Jones, "
A. I. Justice, Hendersonville.
W. H. Jones, Blue Ridge.
R. T. Jones, Saluda.
J. W. Justice Blue Ridge.
P. A. Kuykendall, Zirconia.
W. L. Kuykendall, Saluda.
G. W. Mace, Bowman's Bluff.
J.L.McCarson, Hendersonville.
J. B. Middleton, Saluda.
G. K. Moore, Gypsey.
E. R. Nelson, Hendersonville.
H. P. Patton, Saluda.
J. R. Rhodes, Saluda.
M. M. Staton, Saluda.
J. A. Staton, Dana.
James Stepp, Dana.

The next session of the Carolina Baptist Association will be held with the Salem Baptist Church, beginning on Thursday before the second Sunday in October, 1898; Rev J. W. Anderson to preach the Introductory Sermon at 11 o'clock, A. M., with Rev. A. I. Justice as alternate.

PROCEEDINGS.

MILLS RIVER CHURCH,

HENDERSON COUNTY, N. C., THURSDAY, Oct. 7, 1897.

The Carolina Baptist Association met this day in its twenty-first annual session, with the Mills River Baptist Chuch, at 11 o'clock, a. m., and was called to order by the former Moderator, Rev. W. B. Johnson, who read the 34th Psalm. Prayer was offered by Rev. A. I. Justice.

The Moderator appointed Rev. A. I. Justice and T. J. Rickman to act as reading clerks.

On roll-call of the churches by the Moderator, the following churches presented letters and delegates were enrolled as follows:

Bethel—James T. Johnson, Edward Stepp and W. F. Johnson.

Beulah—G. W. Mace, L. C. Hamilton, J. J. Gray, W. T. Drake, W A. Morris, V. C. V. Cantrell, J. B. F. Revis, Y. D. Moore and B. F. Orr.

Broad River— Z. V. Hudgins, D. R. Owenby, M. L. Searcy, J. A. Taylor and J. F. Gilliam.

Bat Cave—J. A. Williams, M. A. Barnwell, D. L. Clements, E. A. Hudgins and W A. Hudgins.

Crab Creek—J. J. Osteen, W. C. Raines, J. B. Patterson, D. A. McCrary and Elisha Osteen.

Cedar Springs—A. Capps, J. C. Capps, W. R. Heatherly and J. M. McDowell.

Ebenezer—C. T. Allen, W. W. Bagwell, and A. J. McMinn.

Green Mountain—S. J. Blythe, J. B. Wall, L. P. Pitillo, S. M. Gilliam, J. Brantley Freeman, J. L. Freeman, James Townsend and J. W. Freeman.

Green River—H. W. Sentell, G. C. Beddingfield, W. F. Pace, J. R. Staton and J. B. F. Pace.

Hooper's Creek—V. B. Russell, P. S. Souther, N. B. Youngblood.

Hendersonville—J. Williams, I. T. Laughter, O. V. F. Blythe, S. J. Justice, C. M. Pace, T. J. Rickman, N. Buckner, C. F. Toms, A. B. Freeman, W. P. Maury and J. P. Rickman.

Liberty—W. E. Maxwell, J. M. Garren and J. M. Williams.

Mountain Page—J. T. Staton, Luther Staton, A. F. Pace, John Ward, Calvin Robertson, Christopher Staton and R. W. I. Pace.

Mud Creek—W. F. Robertson, P. M. Jones, W. E. Jackson, J. B. Justice. Alternates: J. H. Beck and A. J. Painter.

Mills River—S. C. Sitton, H. N. Gillispie, T. J. Allen, Phillips Allen, S. J. Rickman and G. E. Cairnes.

Middle Fork—W. S. Huntley, J. M. Wilson, John Hill Alternates: C. C. Williams and S. J. Sumner.

Mt. Olivet—J. F. Ballard, E. L. Osteen, Edward Osteen.

Mt. Gilead—G. C. Lance, F. M. Moore, John Hooper, Marion Allen, G. K. Moore, T. L. Brown.

Oak Grove—John Kuykendall, J. F. Brookshire, J. B. Brookshire. Alternate: Wm. Anders.

Pleasant Hill—J. W. Anderson—(without any letter.)

Pleasant Grove—M. M. Stewart—(without any letter.)

French Broad—J. M. Morgan and James Allen.

Refuge—P. T. Ward, J. P. Capps, T. F. Pace, J. H. Hill P. J. Brock, H. C. Pace, O. E. Blythe, J. R. Hood, J. W. Staton.

Riverside—W. B. Case, L. M. Redden, J. L. Underwood, W. N. Corn.

Salem—J. T. Sales, J. N. Suttles, W. H. Young, N. B. Baldwin, J. M. Lance, W. J. Tow.

Shaw's Creek—W. J. Davis, Joseph McCreary, M. E. Cox.

Double Springs—G. B. Hutson, W. C. Ward, Luther Hutson.

Mt. Moriah—J. M. Good, W. K. Ledbetter, R. J. Clark, J. B. Phillips and J. H. Justice.

The Association went into the election of officers, which resulted as follows: Moderator, W. B. Johnson; Clerk, A. B. Freeman; Treasurer. W. J. Davis; Historian, S. S. Gibson.

Song by the audience.

On motion, adjourned one hour for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Re assembled at 1:30 P. M., by singing, "I am Thine."

The Introductory Sermon was preached by Rev. S. S. Gibson; text Psalm cxxii: 6: "Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: they shall prosper that love thee."

Prayer by Rev M. P. Matheny. Song—"What a friend we have in Jesus."

The body was then called to order by the Moderator, and lists of churches not already reported were called for. The following reported: Beulah, Cedar Springs and Liberty.

Opened door of Association for new churches, and received on recommendation of a letter, Bethel church, of South Carolina.

Correspondents from other Associations were called for, and the following brethren reported, to-wit: Rev. M. P. Matheny, editor *Southern Baptist*, from Tennessee River Association; Rev. S. C. Owen, from Buncombe County Association; Rev. T. C. King, the authorized representative of the mission work of W. N C., from Buncombe County Association; Rev. E. J. Morgan, from Buncombe County Association.

The Moderator appointed the following committees:

On Sunday Schools—O. V. F. Blythe and W. J. Davis.

On Obituaries—J. I. Davis and John Hooper.

On State of Religion—Rev. J. L. Brookshire, J. B. F. Pace.

On Union Meetings—Rev. S. S Gibson, S. C. Sitton and W. E Maxwell.

On Nominations—Rev. E. J. Morgan and J. B. Wall.

On Finance—T. J. Rickman and Elisha Osteen.

On Time and Place—James Brookshire and M. E Cox.

On Education—Prof. W. P. Maury and Rev. A. I. Justice.

On Home and Conventional Missions—Rev. T. L Brown and J. T. Sales.

On Periodicals—N. Buckner and W. N. Corn.

On Orphanage—Rev. A. I. Justice and P. M. Jones.

On Temperance—Rev. T. L. Brown, Rev. J. L. Brookshire and S. C. Sitton.

On Foreign Missions—Rev. S. S. Gibson and V. B. Russell.

On Religious Exercises—Pastor and Deacons of Mills River church.

On motion, a committee was appointed on Order of Business for this session, as follows: Rev. A. I. Justice, Rev. W. B. Johnson and A. B. Freeman.

Committee on Religious Exercises reported that Rev. J. L. Brookshire would preach to-night.

On motion, adjourned. Song: "God be with you."

Benediction by Rev. S. C. Owen.

SECOND DAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

FRIDAY MORNING, OCTOBER, 8.

Association convened at 9: 30. Devotional exercises conducted by Rev. A. I. Justice. Prayer by Rev. S. C. Owen. Read 19th Psalm; prayer by Rev. E. J. Harrell. Sang: "What a friend we have in Jesus." Short impressive talks were made by Revs. A. I. Justice, M. P. Matheney and S. C. Owen, followed with prayer by Rev. A. I. Justice. Sang: "The half has never been told."

Association was called to order by Moderator at 10 a. m. Minutes of yesterday's meeting read, corrected and approved. Roll of churches failing to answer to their names yesterday was called and the following responded: Bat Cave and French Broad. On motion Rev. J. W. Anderson was allowed to represent his church without a letter. Correspondence was called for and Rev. E. J. Harrell presented a letter from the Buncombe County Association and was welcomed to a seat in the body.

Rev. A. I. Justice presented Report on Order of Business, as follows, which was adopted:

Report on Order of Business.

Committee on Order of Business report as follows:

1. Meet at 9: 30 a. m. Spend half hour in praise service.
2. Call for reports from churches which have not yet reported.
3. Call for correspondents and representatives and visiting brethren.
4. Call for reports of committees.
5. Call for resolutions, miscellaneous business, etc.
6. Adjourn at 12 m. Re-assemble at 1 p. m. Adjourn at will.

Committee on Foreign Missions reported, and after remarks by Revs. S. S. Gibson and A. I. Justice, their report was adopted.

Report on Foreign Missions.

The Foreign Board has done the usual amount of work in the past year. The debt was cleared off at the last annual meeting in May, at Wilmington.

We notice by report from letters that our churches have raised $36.56 for Foreign Missions. The needs of the field are as great as ever. Great activity is manifested in all denominations in their special work. Work in foreign countries is more readily accepted than ever before. Your committee ask that this Association would lay the burden of formulating a plan for reaching and interesting all our churches in this great work upon the missionary committee of this Association.

SAMUEL S. GIBSON,
V. B. RUSSELL.

The hour having arrived for special order—the meeting of the Woman's Missionary Society—the Association was turned over to the sisters for that purpose.

The services were conducted by Mrs. O. V. F. Blythe and the ladies seem to be taking great interest in the mission work. Reports were read from the various societies and short and impressive talks were made by Mrs. Joseph Rhodes and others. The essay read by Miss Lida Carter on "What the Women Are Attempting to Do," was highly appreciated by all present and shows that the women have the cause of missions very much at heart:

What the Women Are Attempting to Do.

To tell what the women are attempting to do is not telling all that women are attempting to do, so I shall only try to give a general idea of the work the women are attempting to carry on—what great efforts they are putting forth to uphold that work already so well begun in the Home, Frontier and Foreign fields.

It has been said that the work on the home field was not specially necessary, because we have the gospel and so many churches, preachers and teachers. We are told (by the Secretary of the Home Board) that one of the greatest difficulties is that the people do not realize the needs of the home field. It is not so hard to convince the people there is destitution in the heathen lands, but in America, where they have the advantage of so many gospel privileges, they do not realize that in this favored land of ours there are communities that are destitute of these privileges. Home Missions should be and are becoming more important as the heathen and the godless are coming to our shores, and many are locating in the South. America, as well as the heathen lands, needs to be educated and Christianized. The women are attempting a great deal for home, toward the building up of churches and schools and spreading the gospel. It should be every Christian woman's desire to have the gospel carried to every part of our Southland where it is not proclaimed, and make our own bright land the hallowed spot where God would ever reign.

We would not forget the great attempts the women have been and are still making to put the liquor out of reach of the drunkard—to make a better man of him—and to save his wife from abuse, shame and starvation.

The colored people, too, claim our help for their moral and intellectual improvements. The importance of this work is growing in the estimation of the Southern women, whose opportunities for this work are unequaled and whose responsibilities are unsurpassed. The efforts the women are making to help educate and Christianize this race will result in no less than bringing them far above their present situation.

Even greater work is attempted by the women for the worshippers of idols in the far away heathen lands, where souls are dying without the knowledge of salvation—where hearts are breaking with sorrow and characters are ruined for the want of help. Yet Christ has come to our own door, bringing all the blessings of heaven to us—atonement for

sin, cleansing from guilt, hope, peace and eternal life! While we are enjoying his blessings and making ourselves rich in his gifts, should we not make greater efforts to send the gospel to the poor, benighted heathen, that their souls may be saved and that they may enjoy these blessings with us? We are told in God's word (Rom. xv:19) how free the salvation of Jesus is; that "whosoever shall call upon the name of Jesus shall be saved." Then we are asked how we expect people to call upon him when they know nothing about him, and how are they to know unless we send the message?

Christ's last communion was not only given to men, as some seem to believe, but to women as well. What a glorious and divine privilege it is to help send the gospel to a lost race? Women are not only aiding missionaries by their sympathy and prayer, and others by their money and charity boxes, but there are real workers among them, both at home and abroad. Their attempts have largely met with success and shall meet with far greater success when their efforts to train children along missionary lines for more effective work shall be accomplished. The best workers in our churches are those trained from childhood. Our future success depends largely upon the children.

We would feel that our feeble efforts in helping spread the gospel were of no avail did we not see the grand results from such efforts in the past. May the work the women are attempting to help do result in the Christianizing of the whole world, from our own door to the farthest away heathen land, and may those who are making little or no attempt to obey Christ's command to spread the gospel make some effort along this line, and not despise small beginnings, but remember small beginnings often result in great endings.

Prayer by Rev. T. C. King.
Adjourned one hour for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Sang: "Am I a Soldier of the Cross?"
Report on Union Meetings read and adopted.

Report on Union Meetings.

We suggest that Union Meetings be held once every

three months under the direction of the Missionary Committee.

S. C. Sitton.
W. E. Maxwell.
S. S. Gibson.

Report of Committee on State of Religion was read and adopted:

Report on State of Religion.

Your Committee on State of Religion submit the following report:

From the best information we can gather there has been improvement in some parts of the work. There have been 269 baptisms during the past year.

J. L. Brookshire.
J. B. F. Pace.

The Committee on Temperance made the following report, which, after remarks by M. P. Matheny, E. J. Morgan T. L. Brown and J. L. Brookshire, was adopted:

Report on Temperance.

Whiskey has its use. Rev. Dr. Guthrie said: "Whisky is good in its own place. There is nothing like whiskey, in this world, for preserving a man when he is dead. But it is one of the worst things in the world for preserving a man when he is living. If you want to keep a dead man, put him into whiskey; if you want to kill a living man, put whiskey into him"

But drunkenness has not only been demonstrated to be a destroyer of the body; it is futhermore a soul-destroying sin. If suicide be a sin then drunkenness is a sin; and sin destroys the soul. Moderate drinking, *being the road that leads to drunkenness*, is also a sin. Every drunkard was first a moderate drinker.

And while our churches will not, to any considerable extent, tolerate drunkenness, yet we are convinced that some of them are altogether too lax in their dealing with dram-drinkers. Therefore, we recommend:

1. That our pastors in their ministrations endeavor to enlighten their churches on the evils attending drunkenness and dram-drinking and warn them against such evils.

2. That the churches, after using every available means to reclaim such offenders, and failing, exclude them from their membership.

3. That the Association refuse to retain as a member any church that continues to hold in fellowship any individual who is a drunkard or dram-drinker, or in any way aids in the making or selling of intoxicating liquors.

T. L. BROWN, Ch'm'n.
J. L. BROOKSHIRE.
S. C. SITTON.

Committee on Nominations made the following report, with supplement, which was adopted after remarks by Rev. A. I. Justice and others:

Report on Nominations, with Supplement.

Your Committee on Nominations beg leave to submit the following names as a Missionary Committee, including all pastors of churches:

J. Williams, O. E. Blythe, J. B. Wall, S. C. Sitton, J. S. Rhodes, W. J. Davis, J. T. Sales, R. M. Prior, J. J. Davis, D. L. Clemmons, J. M. Sinclair, J. Blythe, S. B. Nannie, J. R. Wilkie, J. O. Wall, J. T. Staton, M. M. Stuart, James Morgan, with one additional lay member from every church, not mentioned.

Respectfully submitted. E. J. MORGAN, Chm'n.
J. B. WALL.

[SUPPLEMENT.]

Missionary Plan of Carolina Association.

The appointment of a Central Committee.
Colportage work the basis.
Division of territory.
Distribution of literature.
The local church arrange for Union or such other special meeting as it may desire, provide its own program, etc.
A fund established for literature.
Committee meet each quarter to review work, study needs and provide plans for meeting the necessities of the churches, etc.

Committee on Sunday Schools made their report, which was made the special order for Sunday at 10 o'clock a. m.

Committee on Home and Conventional Missions made their report, which was made the special order for 10 a. m., tomorrow.

Committee on Obituaries made the following report, which was adopted:

Report on Obituaries.

We, your Committee on Obituaries, beg leave to report that there have been thirty-nine deaths since the last meeting of the Association. None of the names of the deceased are mentioned. We, the committee, offer a word of warning to the difierent churches: "Be ye also ready, for in such an hour as ye think not the Son of Man cometh."

J. A. HOOPER.
J. I. DAVIS.

Committee on Orphanage made the following report, which was adopted, after remarks by Rev. T. L. Brown, Rev. A. I. Justice and O. V. F. Blythe:

Report on Orphanage.

We, your Committee on Orphanage, submit the following report:

We learn that the central building is now about completed, and with the addition of this much needed building the capacity for receiving children has been greatly enlarged. We have now about 160 orphan children under the care of the General Manager, Rev. J. B. Boone, whose wants are to be supplied by the Baptists of North Carolina. Now, in order that the churches of this Association may do their part in this great work, we recommend that collections be taken in all our Sunday schools in each month for this cause, which is the plan recommended by the General Manager.

Respectfully submitted.

A. I. JUSTICE,
For Committee.

On motion that a committee of three be appointed to settle with our Missionary, Rev. T. L. Brown, the Moderator appointed for that purpose the following brethren: W. T. Drake, Rev. J. W. Anderson and Rev. J. L. Brookshire.

Committee on Religious Exercises reported that Rev. A. I. Justice would preach to-night.

On motion, adjourned. Sang, "I am the Light and Truth." Benediction by Rev. S. S. Gibson.

THIRD DAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

Association met at 9:30 a. m. Devotional exercises conducted by Rev. E. J. Harrell. Sang, "Nearer, my God," and "Handwriting on the Wall." Read part of 11th Chapter of Mark; remarks by Rev. E. J. Harrell. Prayer by Rev. S. S. Gibson.

Body was called to order by the Moderator at 10 a. m. Minutes of yesterday's meeting were read and approved.

Time for special order having arrived, the report of Committee on Home and Conventional Missions was read, and after remarks by Revs. T. C. King, M. P. Matheny J. L. Brookshire, A. I. Justice and Layman O. V. F. Blythe, was amended and adopted as follows:

Report on Home and Conventional Missions.

The great need of Missions, to-day, is an enlarged beneficence. It is a fact that of the one million and five hundred thousand upon our church rolls, not less than one million have no interest in mission work, and never contribute anything to it. Past experience has demonstrated the necessity of increasing the number of contributors to missions and systematizing our work. Five times the present income of the Home Mission Board, located at Atlanta, Ga., into whose hands the Home Mission work of the Southern Baptist Convention has been committed, would not fully meet the demand made upon it. Its field of operation includes the Southern States, Indian and Oklahoma Territories, District of Columbia and Cuba. The Lord has undoubtedly blessed the labors of the 372 missionaries upon the field during the past year. By them 48,508 sermons and addresses were delivered; 4,709 baptisms administered; and through their instrumentality 139 churches were constituted and 313 Sunday schools organized, into which 10,725 pupils were gathered. Our work in Cuba, though greatly hampered by existing conditions there, is still in an encouraging condition. All of the pastors have been forced to leave the Island,

leaving the work in the hands of the body of the membership. Yet the work still moves forward; the deacons and ladies in charge are doing much better than could be expected.

Conventional Missions is the work of the W. N. C. Baptist Convention, conducted through its Board, located at Asheville. During the past year there have been nine missionaries under the appointment of the Board. These occupy important fields throughout our bounds.

T. L. BROWN, Chm'n.
J. T. SALES.

A collection was taken for Home and Conventional Missions amounting to $5.00.

Adjourned one hour for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Association convened by singing, "There is a Fountain Filled with Blood."

The Treasurer's report was read and adopted as folows:

Treasurer's Report.

DANA, N. C., October 7, 1897.

Received of Finance Committee	$ 17 00	
Received of W. J. Baldwin	2 50	
Received of J. A. Maddrey, (Hendersonville church)	30 00	
Received of Refuge church	5 00	
Received of J. K. Hill	1 00	
	$ 64 17	
Paid T. L. Brown for Printing Minutes		$ 17 90
Paid T. L. Brown on salary		46 27
		$ 64 17

Respectfully submitted.

P. T. WARD,
Treasurer.

A collection was taken for Bro. James Blythe, amounting to $4.01.

Committee on Periodicals made the following report, which was adopted:

Report on Periodicals.

Your committee would urge our people to give more attention to the circulation and reading of good, wholesome religious literature. If we leave our children to select their own reading matter they are liable to be lead astray.

We have two Baptist newspapers published in our midst. the *Southern Baptist* and the *Western North Carolina Baptist;* also the *North Carolina Baptist*, the *Biblical Recorder* and *Charity and Children* in Eastern North Carolina. We also mention the *Foreign Mission Journal*, of Richmond, Va., all of which may be read to profit.

Respectfully submitted.

N. Buckner.
W. N. Corn.

The Finance Committee made the following report, which was adopted:

Report of Finance Committee.

We, the undersigned, Committee on Finance, beg leave to make the following report:

Amount paid in by the various churches for printing of Minutes of the Association, $18.28.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Thos. J. Rickman,
Elisha Osteen,
Committee.

The following resolution was offered and adopted:

Resolved, That it be ordered by this Association that the Clerk be allowed $10 for his services in compiling the Minutes and that he spend the balance of the money in having said Minutes printed. Also that he solicit some advertising to swell the Minute fund.

Respectfully submitted. Samuel S. Gibson.

A resolution on the question of the dissolution of the Western Baptist Convention was read, and after remarks by Revs. M. P. Matheny, A. I. Justice, T. C. King, T. L. Brown, E. J. Morgan and Layman O. V. F. Blythe, was adopted, as follows:

Resolved, 1st. That it is the sense of the Carolina Association that the Baptist cause would be better served if there was but one Baptist Convention in the State of North Carolina.

Resolved, 2nd. That this Association recommend the dissolution of the Western North Carolina Convention and a consolidation with the State Convention.

On motion, the Moderator appointed Revs. S. S. Gibson and J. J. Justice to submit the above resolution to the Western Baptist Convention at the next meeting in Waynesville, N. C.

Committee on Time and Place made the following report, which was adopted:

Report of Committee on Time and Place.

We, your Committee on Time, Place and Preacher, beg leave to report as follows:

PLACE—Salem Baptist Church.

TIME—Thursday before the second Sunday in October, 1898.

PREACHER—Rev. J. W. Anderson, with Rev. A. I. Justice as alternate.

Respectfully submitted. J. F. BROOKSHIRE.
M. E. COX.

Committee on Education made their report which, after remarks by Revs. S. S. Gibson, E. J. Harrell, M. P. Matheny and Layman J. J. Osborne, was adopted:

Report on Education.

We heartily recommend the school conducted at present by Prof. Maury, at old Judson College. The various departments are intended to give facility to every boy and girl in the whole country to obtain such an education as they may desire.

WAKE FOREST COLLEGE.—The past session was in some respects the most successful one which our College has ever had. The number of students enrolled was the highest ever reached in its history—260. The Law School clearly established its right to be. The effort to endow the William Royall Chair of English was conducted to a satisfactory end.

The long-cherished hope of many has been realized in the provisional establishment of Bible instruction in the regular college course. A positive Christian atmosphere was maintained, and the session was marked by one of the most pervasive and thorough revival seasons ever known in the College. It is right that the Association should know that no college in the South is more highly regarded by the country at large for its work and influence than is Wake Forest College. But as it grows its needs multiply. We commend the College to the brethren.

EDUCATION OF MINISTERS - If the rank and file of our people are to be educated, it follows that their leaders in all Christian thought and activity must be. Many of those whose duty it is to assume this weighty responsibility cannot meet the expenses of a course in college. The Convention created the Board of Education to assist them. The extent of the work of that Board is dependent on the contributions of the churches. Of late it has been curtailed of necessity, many applications being denied, and yet the contributions have been insufficient to meet the obligations assumed by the Board. Thirty-five young men were aided last session. About thirty have been received for the coming session. The needs of the Board are pressing. The question for the churches to decide is whether we shall still further decrease the work of the Board or enter joyfully the open door of enlarging opportunity.

A. I. JUSTICE,
For Committee.

Report of Associational Missionary.

Days of service	191
Miles traveled	1,775
Sermons preached	69
Addresses made	56
Prayer-meetings conducted	12
Professions witnessed	23
Religious visits	169
Institutes held	10
Churches visited	19
Collected on salary on field	$ 138 46
Received on salary from Board	12 00
Received on salary from Board, (books)	25 00
Collected for other objects	12 50
Books unsold, '96	7 30
Books unsold, '97	10 45

T. L. BROWN, Missionary.

Committee appointed to settle with Rev. T. L. Brown, Missionary, report as follows:

Report on Settlement.

Collected by Committee (at Association)	$ 19 64
Total received by Missionary from all sources	177 75
Will receive from Board at Asheville	12 50
	$190 25
Still due Missionary	$22 50
After receiving from Board at Asheville $12 50, will still leave a balance due Missionary of	$ 9 75

W. T. DRAKE,
J. L. BROOKSHIRE,
Committee.

The above committee was discharged and a final settlement referred to original committee, which is urged to collect pledges and settle with Missionary at once.

On motion, special order for Sunday at 10 a. m., (Report on Sunday Schools) was taken up, and the following report was adopted:

Report on Sunday Schools.

Upon examination of the several reports from the churches composing this Association, we find that there is no work in its bounds receiving more attention and yielding better results than the Sunday school. It is the grandest and most glorious of Christian works, in which every warm hearted Christian man or woman, young or old, whether it be the preacher who declares "the whole counsel of God" and the greatness of his love and power, or the mother who around her own knees repeats the simple story of Christ, can spend fifty-two bright days in each year "training up the child in the way he should go" and pointing the unsaved to the "Lamb of God that taketh away the sin of the world."

During the past Associational year there has been a large per cent. more enrolled in Sunday school; 30 per cent more money paid for Sunday school purposes; also a large per cent. more Sunday school scholars converted than were last year; all

of which is indeed encouraging. But we feel sure that, by more punctuality, a closer study of the Lesson Helps and a constant and prayerful use of the Holy Bible and by a warmer and more prayerful interest manifested on the part of fathers and mothers and our ministers of the Gospel, the "Harvest of Souls for the Master" for the incoming year will far exceed that of any year in the history of the Association, and not until we meet in that final Association around the throne of God in Heaven, will the results be fully known or a complete reward be given.

Respectfully submitted O. V. F. BLYTHE.
W. J. DAVIS.

On motion, it was decided that the Introductory Sermon be preached on the assembling of the Association and that the organization be had after the sermon.

Resolved, That this Association hereby tenders its thanks to the members of Mills River Church and the friends in the community, and especially the ladies, for their abundant hospitality and care of us during this Association.

On motion, the Moderator appointed delegates to the Southern Baptist Convention, as follows: Rev. A. I. Justice, with Rev. S. S. Gibson as alternate.

After a few appropriate remarks by the Moderator, Sang, "God be with you till we meet again." The Association then adjourned to meet with Salem Baptist Church, on Thursday before the second Sunday in October, 1898, at 11 o'clock a. m.

Benediction by Rev. S. S. Gibson.

W. B. JOHNSON, MODERATOR.

A. B. FREEMAN, CLERK.

SUNDAY.

Met at 10 a. m., in Sunday school service. Addresses by the brethren.

At 11 a. m. Rev. M. P. Matheny preached to a large congregation in the grove surrounding the Church.

A. B. FREEMAN, CLERK.

CONSTITUTION.

We the members of the Baptist Church of Jesus Christ, who have, on profession of our faith in Him, been immersed, believing that the Holy Scriptures are the only standard of faith and duty for Christians, enjoining as they do zealous and continued effort in promoting the cause of our blessed Lord, do now unite in this Association under this Constitution, for the advancement of the objects therein stated.

ARTICLE I. This Association shall be called the CAROLINA BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, and shall be composed of representatives chosen by each church in the Union, from among the number of its own members, who shall carry to each meeting of the body, certificates of their election, with a statement of the membership, conditions, and prospects of the church they represent, the names of its licensed and ordained ministers, and such contributions as have been made for benevolent objects, which shall be appropriated only as the donors may direct.

II. This Association shall meet annually, and on assembling the introductory sermon shall be preached, and then the Association shall be organized as soon as the names of the representatives are enrolled, by the election of a Moderator, a Clerk, a Treasurer, and a Historian, by ballot, who shall hold offices until the next annual meeting.

III. Each church shall be entitled to a representation of three delegates, and an aditional one for every fifty members in excess of one hundred, and all ordained ministers shall have seats as delegates.

IV. The Association shall be governed by such rules of order as it may from time to time adopt.

V. Any church holding the principals of the doctrines of Christ, and the order of His house, as generally held by those denominated Baptists, may connect itself with this Association at any meeting of the same

VI. The decision of the Association shall, in all cases, except in the matter of amendments to the Constitution, be made by a majority vote, but amendments to the Constitution must be adopted by a two-thirds vote. Amendments may be adopted at any meeting of the Association.

VII. The Association reserves the inalienable right to to withdraw from any church that abandons the principles of this organization.

VIII. This Association holds that the church of Christ,

though not possessed of any sovereign authority, are, nevertheless, in their government, independent of each other, and of all other ecclesiastical organizations, and accountable to no tribunal, but to Christ only, and holds that while it is the duty of all churches, in temporal matters, they should be obedient to the laws of the land, in spiritual matters, they should be obedient alone to Jesus Christ their only head and law giver.

IX. While the Association holds that each church of Christ is an independent body, as above stated, it rather regards itself as an advisory council, but will not presume to dictate for the churches, but will give council, which the churches may receive or reject; but the Association is of opinion that the best mode of settling differences between churches, is to take the same scriptural steps as are prescribed for the settling of difficulties between members; that the church that feels aggrieved should send a statement of the cause of the grievance to the sister church which gave the offence, and if it will not give Christian, satisfaction, then call upon one or two sister churches to assist in a settlement, and if the offending church will not listen then, then report the same to this body, which will not pay attention to such complaints unless the above course of procedure has been complied with.

X. This Association will not admit or receive, any church into membership in to the union, that is known to be in disorder, or composed of members excluded from another church of the same order as this Association.

XI. Any church in good standing in this Association shall at any time be allowed the privilege of withdrawing from the same by letter.

XII. This Association may correspond and form a brotherly union with any Baptist organization holding similar views of doctrines and duty, with those held by this body.

XIII. This Association may appoint as many boards, or committees, as may be necessary for carrying on the business and accomplishing the objects of its organization. These, when so appointed, shall make reports at the times appointed by the Association.

XIV. The minutes shall be read and corrected, if necessary, in the morning of each day of the session, and at the close of the last day.

XV. As the business of the Association must be finished before its adjournment, no member shall be allowed to depart from any of its sessions without leave.

XVI. The objects of the Association shall be the circulation of the Scriptures in destitute places, the encouragement and aid of Foreign, Home, Conventional and Associational Missions, Education, Sunday-schools, and Temperance.

XVII. The Association shall keep a book in which this Constitution and a minute of each session shall be recorded, which book shall be present at every meeting of the Association.

Sunday School Statistics.

CHURCHES.	SUPERINTENDENTS	No. Officers and Teachers.	Number of Scholars.	Average Attendance.	Contributed for Support of School.	Contributed for other purposes.
Hendersonville	Charles F. Toms	11	209	118	$28.00	$50.14
Crab Creek	J. L. Evans	5	104	51	5.94	.....
Liberty*	Mrs. E. R. Wilson	9	55	25	3.00	.....
French Broad	.....	.....	.....	.....	4.00	.....
Bat Cave	W. B. Searcy†	5	.....	45	7.40	.....
Mountain Cave	M. M. Staton	3	53	22	1.93	.....
Forrest S. S.*	.....	3	54	.....	1.36	.....
Ebenezer	D. F. Brevard	.....	93	60	6.70	.....
Green Mountain	J. B. Wall	.....	.....	.....	14.60	.....
Mud Creek	P. M. Jones	7	.....	25	5.00	.....
Middle Fork	J. W. Wilson	7	75	33	4.73	3.70
Oak Grove	Robt. Kuykendall.	6	48	28	.....	.....
Mt. Gilead	G. K. Moon	8	75	40	3.75	11.78
Piney Grove S. S.*	G. W. Allen	8	40	30	3.59	.....
Mt. Olivet	.....	5	33	.....	.....	.....
Mills River	S. C. Sitton	6	60	40	6.00	.....
Saluda	R. T. Jones	6	.....	29	12.31	.....
Salem	J. T. Sales	7	40	25	4.60	.....
Refuge	J. W. Staton	7	100	85	9.69	.....

* Liberty, Mountain Page and Mt. Gilead churches have branch schools.
‡ Bat Cave.—P. O. Merrell also superintendent.

STATISTICAL TABLE OF THE CHURCH

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	CLERKS.	POST OFFICE	Meeting days.	Baptised.	Received by letter.	Restored.	Dismissed by letter.	Excluded.	Dead.	Male Members.	Female Members.	Total Membership.	When Constituted.	Associational Missions.
Barnwell	*														
Broad River	Elbert Jackson	M. L. Searcey	Broad River	4	6	4	2	1	4	1	35	67	102		
Bear Wallow	*														
Beulah	J. J. Gray	W. T. Drake	Bowmans Bluff	1	20			6	1	4	8	149	234	1815	
Bat Cave	A. J. Justice	A. E. Hudgins	Bat Cave			7	1	9	3	2	32	59	91	1892	
Bethel	Robt. Hamilton	G. Edward Stepp	Grandeur S. C.	2		7							16	1897	
Cross Roads	*														
Cedar Springs	R. T. Hamilton	J. C. Capps	Lead	1	21	10	5	1	3	4	58	55	113		
Crab Creek	J. W. Anderson	Elisha Osteen	Osteen	2	9	2		2		3	61	94	155	1834	5.00
Double Springs	L. L. Brookshire	G. B. Hutson	Splendor		15	3	3	2					80		1.50
Ebenezer	J. W. Anderson	J. J. Blythe	Hendersonville	1		1	1			1	30	46	76		1.00
Fork Creek	*														
French Broad	*	J. C. Morgan	Hendersonville	1							11	25	36	1792	
Friendship	*														
Golden Hill	*														
Green Mountain	A. I. Justice	J. W. Freeman	Fruitland	3				5	3		67	84	151	1876	15.00
Green River	W. B. Johnson	J. B. F. Pace	Zirconia	2				7	3	6	45	51	96	1837	6.00
Hendersonville	Samuel S. Gibson	A. B. Freeman	Hendersonville	Suns	7	28		12		4	94	132	23	1842	30.00
Holly Springs	*														
Hoopers Creek	J. L. Brookshire	R. M. Prior	Fletchers	2d S		4		4	1	1	36	51	87	1856	
Liberty	W. S. Huntley	J. M. Williams	Pump				3	2	3		42	57	98		
Middle Fork	Richard Hudgins	W. F. Huntley	Bear Wallow	2		14	6	4		1	23	51	74	1886	
Mills River	E. J. Morgan	P. J. Sitton	Sitton	3d S	10	1	1	6	2		52	69	121	1835	3.53
Mt. Chrystal	*														
Mt. Gilead	T. L. Brown	J. S. Rhodes	Mills River	4	8	9	1	6		1	46	72	118	1883	17.50
Mt. Olivet	W. B. Johnson	E. L. Osteen	Flat Rock	1	5	2	1	3	1	1	34	62	9	1882	
Mt. Moriah	J. L. Brookshire	G. W. Ledbetter	Edneyville	4	28	4	3	3			91	131	222		5.00
Mountain Page	J. T. Singleton	M. A. Pace	Saluda	1	3	2	2	9	3	3	117	124	241		
Mountain Hill	*														
Mountain Valley	*														
Mud Creek	W. B. Johnson	J. H. Beck	Hendersonville	4	8	5		2			25	52	77	1800	
Oak Grove	W. B. Johnson	Chas. Shepherd	Flat Rock	3	2	3	1	4	3		26	40	66		
Piney Grove	*														
Pleasant Hill	*														
Pleasant Grove 1	*														
Pleasant Grove 2	*														
Refuge	A. I. Justice	P. T. Ward	Dana	2	21	11	2	10	1	4	113	165	278	1847	
Riverside	J. J. Gray	W. N. Corn	Yale		6	4		2	1	1	30	43	73	1888	
Salem	E. J. Harrell	W. J. Baldwin	Fletcher	1	3	7	1	8	2	2	65	87	152	1838	7.50
Saluda	W. L. Kuykendall	J. I. Davis	Saluda	1 3	15	3			1		26	60	86	1888	1.70
Shaws Creek	J. J. Gray	W. D. Rymer	Hendersonville	2d S		4	2		3		47	73	120		

* Not represented.

ERRATA.—The name of G. K. Moore should appear in Sunday School Statistics, on page 22, as superintendent at Mt. Gilead instead of G.

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PROCEEDINGS

——OF THE——

Twenty-second Annual Session

——OF——

The Carolina Baptist Association,

HELD WITH THE

Salem Baptist Church, October 6th, 7th, 8th and 9th, 1898.

Compiled by J. W. Anderson, Clerk, Delmont, N. C.

OFFICERS:

Rev. A. I. Justice,	Moderator.
Rev. J. W. Anderson,	Clerk.
W. J. Davis,	Treasurer.
Rev. W. S. Huntley,	Historian.

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Minister's Names and Post-Offices.

J. W. Anderson, Delmont.
J. L. Brookshire, Flat Rock.
T. L. Brown, Mills River.
N. W. Corn, Lead.
S. S. Gibson, Hendersonville.
J. J. Gray, Bowman's Bluff.
L. C. Hamilton, Bowman's Bluff.
R. F. Hamilton, Osteen.
F. C. Hamric, Pump.
J. R. Heatherly, Saluda.
R. Hudgins, Bat Cave.
W. S. Huntley, Bear Wallow.
W. B. Johnson, Grandeur, S. C.
G. W. Johnson, Hendersonville.
G. S. Jones, " "
A. I. Justice, " "
W. H. Jones, Blue Ridge.
R. T. Jones, Saluda.
J. W. Justice, Blue Ridge.
P. A. Kuykendall, Zirconia.
W. L. Kuykendall, Saluda.
G. W. Mace, Bowman's Bluff.
J. L. McCarson, Hendersonville.
H. P. Patton, Saluda.
J. B. Middleton, "
G. K. Moore, Gypsey.
E. R. Nelson, Delmont.
J. R. Rhodes, Saluda.
M. M. Staton, "
J. A. Staton, Dana.
James Stepp, "

The next session of the Carolina Association will be held with the Saluda Baptist Church, beginning on Thursday, before the second Sunday in October, 1899, Rev. J. L. Brookshire to preach the Introductory Sermon at 11 o'clock, A. M.: Rev. W. B. Johnson, alternate.

Proceedings.

SALEM CHURCH, October 6, 1898.

The Carolina Baptist Association met this day in its twenty-second annual session with the Salem Baptists Church, at 11 o'clock a. m. The introductory sermon was preached by Rev. J. W. Anderson from Ephesians 6:10. After the sermon intermission was taken for one hour.

At 1 o'clock p. m., the Association was called to order by the former Moderator. A Prayer and Praise service was conducted by Rev. W. B. Johnson, read 5th chapter of Matthew. Song—Jesus Lover of My Soul. Prayer by Rev. J. W. Anderson and J. L. Brookshire.

The Moderator appointed Revs. A. I. Justus and T. L. Brown reading clerks.

On roll call of the Churches, by the Moderator, the following Churches presented letters, and delegates were enrolled as follows:

Beulah—W. T. Drake.

Broad River—J. H. Gilliam.

Bear Wallow—T. M. Merrell.

Bat Cave—D. L. Clements.

Ebenezer—C. T. Allen, W. W. Bagwell, C. T. Brevard and A. J. McMinn.

Green Mountain—L. P. Pittillo, J. L. Freeman, G. N. Griffin, Freno Pittillo, Jay W. Freeman and S. J. Blythe.

Macedonia—T. H. Williams, M. F. Arledge.

French Broad—C. B. Morgan.

Hendersonville—C. F. Toms, J. Williams, A. B. Freeman.

Mountain Page—John Ward, J. T. Staton, O. B. Kelly, J. A. Ward.

Mount Moriah—A. T. Hart, John H. Justus, S. B. Nanney, Thos. Williams, J. B. Williams, O. B. Kelley and J. A. Ward.

Middle Fork—J. W. Wilson, D. P. Laughlin.

Mt. Gilead—G. C. Lance, M. L. Underwood, J. S. Rhodes and Rev. T. L. Brown.

Oak Grove—J. F. Brookshire, John Kuykendall, and Rev. J. L. Brookshire.

Pleasant Hill—J. W. Anderson.

River Side—W. B. Case, J. E. Barnwell.

Mills River—W. E. Underwood, S. C. Sitton.

Mountain Valley—John L. Jackson, Nun Arledge.

Salem—J. T. Sales, G. F. Wolf, G. W. Clark, D. M. Tow, W. J. Baldwin, and W. B. Newman.

Hooper's Creek—J. P. Wilkie, R. M. Prior.

Refuge—J. P. Capps, T. F. Pace, T. W. Osteen, G, N. Guice and P. T. Ward.

Saluda—J. I. Davis.

Shaw's Creek—J. B. Cox, W. J. Davis.

Green River—Rev. W. B. Johnson and J. L. L. Pace.

Holly Springs—S. D. Osteen.

Mud Creek—H. J. Jones.

The Association went into the election of officers which resulted as follows:

Moderator—A. I. Justice.

Clerk—J. W. Anderson.

Treasurer—W. J. Davis.

Historian—W. S. Huntley.

Opened door of Association for new Churches and received on reccommendation of a letter Macedonia church. Correspondents from other Associations were called for and Bro. C. S. Cashwell, corresponding secretary of the Western Baptist Convention, reported.

The Moderator appointed the following committees:

On Sunday Schools—J. S. Rhodes, D. L. Clements, C. T. Allen.

On Obituaries—A. T. Hart, M. L. Underwood and J. I. Davis.

On State of Religion—J. L. Brookshire, R. M. Prior and W. H. Jones.

On Union Meetings—T. L Brown, W. B. Johnson and W. J. Baldwin.

On Nominations—P. T. Ward, J. T. Sales and Jay W. Freeman.

On Finance—G. N. Guffin, W. T. Drake and J. B. Cox.

On Time and Place—S. B. Nanney, J. P. Capps and J. H. Kimsey.

On Education—S. S. Gibson, W. S. Huntley and A. B. Freeman.

On Home and Conventional Missions—T. L. Brown, J. T. Staton and J. L. Freeman.

On Periodicals—Rev. J. L. Brookshire, Rev. W. B. Johnson and Wm. Merrill.

On Orphanage—D. L. Clements, A. T. Hart and Thomas Williams.

On Temperance—W. S. Huntley, W. J. Davis and J. T. Staton.

On Foreign Miesions—S. S. Gibson, W. H. Jones and J. B. Williams.

On Religious Exercises—Pastor and Deacons of Salem church.

On motion the order of business for the last year was adopted for the present session of this Association.

On motion the following committee was appointed to report on

the advisibility of dissolving the Western Convention, viz.: S. S. Gibson, A. J. McMinn and A. B. Freeman.

On motion a page of the Minutes of the Association was ordered set apart to the memory of Rev. Jas. W. Blythe, deceased and the following brethren were appointed to write his obituary: Rev. W. B. Johnson, Rev. W. H. Jones. Rev. J. L. Brookshire and Rev. T. L. Brown.

There was a motion adopted requiring the roll of delegates to be called, on Friday afternoon, and the names of all delegates not present to be dropped from the Minutes of the Association.

On motion adjourned. Benediction by Rev. W. B. Johnson.

SECOND DAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

FRIDAY MORNING, Oct. 7.

Association convened at 9:30. Devotional exercises conducted.

Call for correspondents resumed and the following brethren reported: Rev. M. P. Matheny, editor of the Southern Baptist; from Tennessee River Association, S. W. Hall; from French Broad Association, representative of Mars Hill College, and J. T. Jenkins from Haywood County Association, Editor of the Western N. C. Baptist.

Report of the Central Committee on the mission work in the bounds of the Association:

Report of Central Committee on Missions.

TO THE CAROLINA ASSOCIATION:

Your Missionary Committee, as appointed by you, make the following report:

Three general meetings were held, and several committee meetings.

The following churches and outlying points were helped:

French Broad.—Preaching once a month. Several prayer meeting services. No special results to report.

Barwell Church—Meeting held by Bro. Huntley. Nothing accomplished. Advised to disband.

Gentle School House—Meetings held by Bro. J. W. Anderson. 22 waiting for baptism approved by Ebenezer Church. An effort to organize a church will be made.

Macedonia—Meetings held by Bro. W. H. Jones. Organization effected. Baptized 1. Present membership 24. These brethren need help to build a house of worship.

Brethren Huntley and Jones received and distributed Bibles and books.

The year has been a good one for the churches. We look for still better results in the coming one.

SAMUEL S. GIBSON,
For Committee.

Woman's Work

At 10 o'clock Sabbath morning, the Woman's Missionary Societies of the Carolina Association were called to order by the president, Mrs. H. E. Gibson.

After devotional exercises, reports were heard from Mt. Gilead, Salem, Green Mountain, and Hendersonville societies. These were very encouraging in every way. The women of the above churches by and through the encouragement of their respective pastors have done good and faithful work. Pledges were taken for a number of Orphanage boxes.

The large number of women present seemed to be much edified, and felt the presence and power of the Holy Spirit to such a degree that they were much strengthened for another year's work. The work done, and amounts of money and boxes sent to the Orphanage and Frontier were reported in the church letters, hence no separate reports appear in the accounts of this meeting.

On motion the following committee was appointed to recommend what action this Association should take with regard to the churches formerly belonging to this body who have gone into another Association without receiving letter from this Association, viz.: W. B. Johnston, J. T. Staton, J. L. Brookshire.

The report on Foreign Missions was made a special order for Saturday, 11 o'clock A. M.

Report on Home and Conventional Missions.

Home and Conventional Missions report was read and adopted, as follows:

The field of the Home Board embraces Cuba, Indian Territory and portions of the Southern States. The Board has been striving to enlist the churches in its territory in the work and to supply the destitute. Progress has been made and the work at this time is in an exceedingly hopeful condition. Quoting from Bro. I. T. Tichenor, Cor. Sec. of the Home Board: "The time has come in the providence of God, when we must push our Home Mission work more vigorously than ever before. From every department comes the cry for greater help, and in many cases the help must be extended now, or the opportunity is lost forever. The Board has been waiting for the opening of Cuba, where God has given us more than we asked and opened Porto Rico to us as well. Two millions and a half of people hitherto held in the chains of darkness are now prepared to receive the light of life. Such an opportunity never was accorded to us before, and such rapid and vigorous work never before was demanded at our hands. Large contributions will be needed to meet the wants of these people and our obligations to them. Your committee would urge the churches everywhere to so largely increase their contributions as to enable the Board to supply every important point in this new territory which the Divine hand seems to have transferred to the care of the American people.

CONVENTIONAL MISSIONS.

Our Board with the limited means at its command, is doing what it can to meet the demand for mission work in the Western North Carolina Baptist Convention. Not so much mission work in the sense of planting churches and making converts, as in developing our churches, our membership, in mission work. During the past year the Board has had in its employ for a part or all of their time, the following brethren: T. Bright, Murphy; A. B. Smith, at Dillsboro; W. W. Jones, at Weaverville; E. D. Cole in the Liberty and Ducktown Association and J. D. Colby in the Newfound Association. The work as represented by the brethren is for the most part promising. It is now less than two weeks till the meeting of our Convention at Hendersonville. It is important that we go to the Convention with all our obligations met. A little help from all, and help now, will bring this result We earnestly urge that every church adopts some form of systematic giving The scriptural weekly, "lay by in store upon the first day of the week", would bring astonishing results.

T. L. BROWN,
For Committee.

A collection was then taken for Home and Conventional Missions and $68.86 was subscribed, a large portion of which was paid down, the remainder to be paid at the Convention at Hendersonville.

On motion adjourned for one hour. Benediction by Moderator.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Association met at 1 P. M.

Committee on Convention reported, and after remarks by S. S. Gibson, T. L. Brown, J. T. Jenkins, S. W. Hall, A. I. Justice and J. L. Brookshire, the following was adopted:

Report of Committee on Convention.

Your committee on dissolution of Convention beg leave to make the following report: Whereas, at the last session of the Western Baptist Convention, held in Waynesville, the question of dissolution was referred for consideration to the various Associations of the Convention, and that each Association be requested to instruct its delegates to vote its sentiments on this question at the next session of the Convention: Therefore, be it resolved, that our delegates be instructed to record its vote for dissolution.

S. S. GIBSON, for Committee.

Report on Education read, and after remarks by J. Williams, S. S. Gibson, M. P Matheny and T. L. Brown, discussion of report continued until 1 P. M. Saturday.

The following report on Union Meetings was adopted, and the Moderator and Clerk required to divide the Association into districts for union meetings.

Report on Union Meetings.

Our Union Meetings during the past year have not met with a very hearty support at the hands of our pastors and churches. Only two meetings were attempted during the year.

These meetings could be made a source of great help if rightly encouraged. And, in order that their efficiency may be increased, we

suggest that the Associational territory be divided into four sections, and that a leader be appointed for each section.

T. L. BROWN,
WM. B. JOHNSON,
W. J. BALDWIN.

The following division of territory was agreed upon for Union meetings. The State road divide the Association, North and South, and the Mt. Hebron and Edneyville roads divide it East and West, and the following leaders were appointed in their respective districts, viz.: W. B. Johnson, W. H. Jones, W. S. Huntley and S. C. Sitton.

On motion adjourned.

THIRD DAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

SATURDAY MORNING, Oct. 8.

Association convened at 9:30 A. M. Devotional exercises conducted by T. L. Brown. Song, "How Firm a Foundation." Prayer by T. L. Brown. Song, "What a Friend we have in Jesus." Prayer by S. W. Hall.

Letters from churches called for and the following received:—Holly Spring and Grand River, and also a letter from the B. Y. P. U of Refuge Church.

After remarks by J. T. Jenkins and S. W. Hall the report on periodicals was adopted.

Report on Periodicals.

Your committee would emphasize the great importance of every Baptist reading pure and sound Baptist papers. Such reading has much to do with the permanent development of the young and old. There is no question but that those who read our denominational papers are made better Christians and better Baptists by such reading. We would recommend that our people subscribe for and read the Western North Carolina Baptist, which is our own local paper, working specially for our interest in this western section of North Carolina. We also recommend our Orphanage paper, Charity and Children, the Foreign Mission Journal, the Home Field, and the Biblical Recorder. Respectfully submitted.

J. L. BROOKSHIRE,
W. B. JOHNSON,
W. M. MAXWELL.

The hour for the consideration of the report on Foreign Missions having arrived, the report was read, and after remarks by S. S. Gibson, J. L. Brookshire, M. P. Matheney, W. B. Case and A. I. Justice, was adopted.

Report on Foreign Missions.

The Lord is blessing the labors of our missionaries in foreign fields and a great work is being done through them. Truly, "the Lord is not slack concerning his promises." A greater work than ever before is calling loudly for means and men. Idleness and indifference seem to characterize our efforts in this Association. The Lord calls for his tithes and first fruits: we respond by discussions of methods

and plans. Is there any wonder that rain and flood and shortage and loss fall upon us? Once again we urge a hearty support of the work upon the foreign field. To bring the matter forcibly to your attention we would recommend that a resolution be passed by this body to the effect that each church be requested to make at least one contribution to the foreign work, and that the amount be clearly stated in the annual letter.

SAMUEL S. GIBSON,
For Committee.

The brethren and pastors present from the different churches promise to endeavor to raise the following amount by the next annual meeting of this body:

Broad River	$2 50	Saluda	$2 50
Bear Wallow	5 00	Hooper's Creek	5 00
Beulah	5 00	Salem	5 00
Crab Creek	2 50	Mills River	10 00
Ebenezer	2 00	Mt. Gilead	5 00
French Broad	5 00	Mt. Olivet	2 00
Green Mountain	10 00	Mt. Moriah	5 00
Green River	2 50	Mountain Page	5 00
Hendersonville	15 00	Mountain Valley	5 00
Woman's Mis'n of Hen'lle	25 00	Oak Grove	2 00
Macedonia	1 00	Shaw's Creek	5 00
Refuge	5 00	Riverside	7 00

On motion adjourned for one hour.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Association was called to order by the Moderator at 1:30 P. M.

Churches letters called for; received letter from Green River.

The following report from Committee on Obituaries was read and adopted:

Report on Obituaries.

From the reports from the various church letters your committee find that there have been twenty-four deaths, within our bounds during the past year, fifteen less than reported last year. None of the names of the deceased are given, except Rev. Jas. W. Blythe. We should be profoundly thankful to God for His mercies accorded to us during the year.

A. T. HART.
J. I. DAVIS,
M. L. UNDERWOOD,
Committee.

On motion a special obituary was ordered written and published in the minutes of this Association for Joseph H. Freeman, deceased.

OBITUARY OF ELDER JAMES BLYTHE.

The Christian ministry is the most important agency that has ever been established among men. It originated with the Son of God, and bears the stamp of his authority; He pledged Himself for its success and perpetuity, and the ends contemplated by it are vast, beneficent and glorious. And yet it may be held by a weak, unworthy, partially sanctified mortal who acts as God's ambassador, and does God's work. He may attain to great eminence in prudence, eloquence and age, but he must bow to the unchanging ordinances of God and die. "The Lord of Hosts doth take away from Jerusalem and from Judah, the prophet, and the prudent and the ancient." The Provi-

dence of God is surely concerned in the removal of aged and distinguished ministers.

Since the last annual meeting of our Association, Elder James Blythe, our oldest and best beloved minister died at his home in Saluda, N. C. Having performed the work allotted to him, the Master has removed him to a higher sphere, and has done it at a time and in the manner which his own unerring wisdom indicated. We can only adopt the language of one of old and say: "It is the Lord, let Him do what seemeth Him good."

Father Blythe, as he was familiarly called, was born in Buncombe (now Henderson) county, November 27, 1808, and entered into the "rest that remaineth for the people of God," December 14, 1897.

In early manhood, Bro. Blythe made a profession of faith in Christ, and, with his wife, was baptized into the fellowship of Beulah Baptist Church by Eld. Robert Jordan. Being impressed with the duty of preaching the gospel, he entered the ministry and was shortly after ordained at Benlah Church. His was destined to be a long, active and useful life. How many sermons he preached, how many fervent prayers he offered, how many warnings he gave, how many encouraging words he uttered, eternity alone will reveal.

With the exception of two years spent in Georgia, Bro. Blythe's entire life was spent among the people of Western North Carolina. Faithfully and well did he serve as pastor, Beulah, Mills River; French Broad, Mountain Page, Refuge, Mt. Moriah and other churches of this Association.

In addition to his pastoral work, Bro. Blythe was for a time assistant editor of the "North Carolina Baptist", the first Baptist paper published in Western North Carolina. This paper was first published at Asheville, but was afterwards issued from Hendersonville.

Frequently Bro. Blythe was called to positions of public trust by the people of his county. Thrice was he a member of the lower house of the State Legislature, and for one term was he State Senator.

His last active work in the ministry was the preaching the dedicatory sermon at the dedication of the Saluda Meeting House. This was about two years before his death, and while sitting in his chair he gave his last public address from the text, "See that thou make all things according to the pattern shewed to thee in the mountains." (Heb. 8:5.)

On December 16th, 1897, his remains were laid away in the cemetery of the Refuge Baptist church, beside those of his first wife, who had preceded him some years before, to await the resurrection morning. The funeral services were conducted by Elder A. I. Justice and others; the sermon was preached by Elder Justice from the text chosed by Bro. Blythe himself, "I have fought a good fight; I have finished my course, I have kept the faith: henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me in that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing."

Brethren, we can best render due honor to his memory by perpetuating his teachings in our lives; and this we owe to ourselves, to the church, to the world, and to the Father of spirits. "He being dead yet speaketh."

W. B. JOHNSON,
J. L. BROOKSHIRE,
W. H. JONES,
T. L. BROWN,
} Committee.

OBITUARY OF J. H. FREEMAN.

Bro. J. H. Freeman was born Feb. 15th, 1826, and died July 16th, 1898. Bro. Freeman was a devoted and consecrated Christian man.

He was a great Sunday School worker and a liberal giver to the Lord's cause. He was not excelled by any in standing by and supporting his pastor in his work. His life was spent in the eastern part of Henderson county. He was the leader in building the church at Bat Cave, and the beautiful house of worship which he led in building at that place stands as a monument to his untiring zeal in the Master's service. Truly a good man has been taken from us.

Report of Committee on Education.

We heartily endorse every effort that looks to Christian education, and cannot too often or strongly urge its attention and claims upon our people.

We regard with favor Wake Forest College, and rejoice in its success. Mars Hill is recommended as a first-class preparatory school. The Board of Education has its claims upon our churches and each church should contribute liberally to this work.

We specially call attention to the proposed establishment of a High School at Fruitland, W. N. C., and recommend that every encouragement, support and patronage be given this enterprise.

S. S. GIBSON,
For Committee.

The above report was adopted, and, on motion, the following committee was appointed to consider the propriety of establishing a High School at Fruitland: Clear Creek Township, J. W. Freeman, L. P. Pitillo, Z. V. Brevard; Hendersonville, J. Williams; Mills River, J. S. Rhodes; Crab Creek, W. T. Drake; Green River, J. T. Staton; Blue Ridge, P. T. Ward; Edneyville, Erwin Maxwell; Hooper's Creek, R. M. Pryor. On motion the Moderator, Rev. A. I. Justice, of Hendersonville, was added to the committee.

Report of Committee on State of Religion.

The following report of the committee on state of religion was read and adopted:

We, your committee on State of Religion find, from examining that there have been improvements in some parts of the work. Only 88 baptisms are reported, the smallest number for several years. There has been some improvement in the mission work as conducted by the Central Committee of the Association. J. L. BROOKSHIRE.
W. H. JONES.

Report of Committee on Time and Place.

Committee on Time and Place made the following report, which was adopted:

We, your committee on Time, Place and Preacher, beg leave to report as follows: Place, Saluda Baptist Church; Time, Thursday, before the second Sunday in October, 1899; Preacher, Rev. J. L. Brookshire, with Rev. W. B. Johnson as alternate.

Respectfully submitted. S. B. NANNEY,
J. P. CAPPS.

Report of Committee on Orphanage.

The following report of the committee on Orphanage was read,

and after remarks by S. W. Hall, adopted:

We, your committee on Orphanage, beg leave to submit the following report: That there is noble and efficient work being done for the bereft and parentless children through the Orphanage under the control of the Baptists of North Carolina. It seems to be doing all it can to take the place of parents of these lonely children and teaching them useful employments. We learn that the Orphanage now owns 314 acres of land, 16 buildings, a printing office, one paper, Charity and Children, published at $1 per year, which we commend to the patronage of the people in the bounds of this Association. The Central building which was incomplete last year, is finished; also the General Manager's House has been erected and completed this year: With the addition of these edifices to this most noble and much needed institution, the capacity for receiving the children that the hand of Providence has placed upon our altar of benevolence has been enlarged, and therefore demands a corresponding increase to our contributions. We now have about 200 orphan children under the care of the institution against 160 last year, with many applications for admission. Now, in order that the churches of the Association may not be found wanting in this most noble work of Christianity and humanity, we recommend that collections be taken for this purpese in all our Sunday Schools: and we further suggest that the Pastors of our churches see to it that this most pressing duty shall not be neglected in their respective churches.

Respectfully submitted.

D. L. CLEMENTS,
A. T. HART,
T. H. WILLIAMS,
Committee.

The report of the Committee on Sunday Schools was read and made the special order for Sunday, at 9 A. M.

Report on Nominations was read, and after being recommitted, the following was adopted:

Report of Committee on Nominations

Your Committee on Nominations make the following report of names for Missionary Committee for the ensuing year, viz.: S. C. Sitton, J. S. Rhodes, W. J. Davis, J. N. Suttles, R. M. Prior, J. L. Davis, D. L. Clements, J. M, Sinclair, J. J. Blythe, A. T. Hart, J. R. Wilkie, J. O. Wall, W. T. Davis, M. M. Stewart and James Morgan, with the ministers of the Association.

Respectfully submitted.

P. T. WARD,
J. T SALES,
J. W. FREEMAN.
Committee.

Report of Committee on New Association.

Committee on the five churches forming a new Association offered the following report which was read and adopted:

We, your committee to whom was referred the matter of the five churches, namely, Friendship, Cross Reads, Piney Grove, Mountain Hill and Fork Creek, are of the opinion that it would have been more in accordance with Baptist usage and Christian courtesy to have called for letter of dismissal, before embodying themselves into an Asso

ciation. We therefore recommend this Association to simply drop the names of those five churches from our minutes.

W. B. JOHNSON,
J. L. BROOKSHIRE,
J. B. STATON,
Committee.

The Committee on Finance made the following report, which was adopted:

Report of Finance Committee.

We, the undersigned, Committee on Finance, beg leave to make the following report:

The amount paid in by the various churches for the printing of minutes of the Association is $18.67. All of which is respectfully submitted.

F. N. GRIFFIN,
W. T. DRAKE,
J. B. COX,
Committee.

On motion of Rev. J. L. Brookshire, it was agreed to pay the Clerk $10.00 for his services and that the remainder of the money be expended in having said minutes printed.

Resolved, That this Association tenders its thanks to the members of the Salem church and the friends in the community for their abundant hospitality and care of us during this Association.

On motion Rev. S. S. Gibson was appointed delegate to the Southern Baptist Convention, with Rev. A. I. Justice as alternate

On motion the following brethren were appointed delegates to the Western N. C. Convention, Rev. J. L. Brookshire, Rev. J. W. Anderson, W. B. Case, J. H. Justus and W. B. Johnson.

On motion a collection was to be taken Sunday just after the sermon and the proceeds to be equally divided between the Orphanage and Foreign Missions.

The Aesociation sang, "Praise God from whom all Blessings Flow," and adjourned to meet Sunday morning at 9:00 o'clock.

Benediction by M. P. Matheny.

FOURTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

SUNDAY MORNING, Oct. 9.

The Association was called to order at 9:00 A. M. by the Moderator, who read the 40th Psalm.

The following report on Sunday Schools was read and adopted:

Report of Committee on Sunday Schools.

Your committee is glad to note that all the churches represented in this body report Sunday Schools organized and doing more or less efficient work. We are convinced that the great need of the present is not so much for more Sunday Schools as for better Sunday Schools. As a denomination we are suffering greatly from a lack of the proper training of young people: and we know of no place where this train-

ing may be more efficiently done than in the Sunday school. Hence no department of church work demands more careful attention than this. We would furthermore call your attention to our County Sunday School Convention, and urge that there be a deeper interest manifested upon the part of the churches of this Association in its work and that larger attendance be had upon its sessions. Its last session was held with the Mt Moriah Baptist Church, and while it was rather poorly attended, yet it was a very profitable meeting.

J. S. RHODES,
D. L CLEMENTS, } Committee.
C. T. ALLEN,

Report on Temperance was the same as that of last year, and was adopted.

Constitution.

We, the members of the Baptist Church of Jesus Christ, who have, on profession of our faith in Him, been immersed, believing that the Holy Scriptures are the only standard of faith and duty for Christians, enjoining as they do zealous and continued effort in promoting the cause of our blessed Lord, do now unite in this Association under this Constitution for the advancement of the objects therein stated.

ARTICLE I. This Association shall be called the CAROLINA BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, and shall be composed of representatives chosen by each church in the Union, from among the number of its own members, who shall carry to each meeting of the body, certificates of their election, with a statement of membership, conditions and prospects of the church they represent, the names of its licensed and ordained ministers, and such contributions as have been made for benevolent objects, which shall be appropriated only as the donors may direct.

II. This Association shall meet annually, and on assembling the introductory sermon shall be preached, and then the Association shall be organized as soon as the names of the representatives are enrolled, by the election of a Moderator, a Clerk, a Treasurer, and a Historian, by ballot, who shall hold their offices until the next annual meeting.

III. Each church shall be entitled to a representation of three delegates, and an additional one for every fifty members in excess of one hundred, and all ordained ministers shall have seats as delegates.

IV. The Association shall be governed by such rules of order as it may from time to time adopt.

V. Any church holding the principles of the doctrines of Christ, and the order of His house, as generally held by those denominated Baptists, may connect itself with this Association at any meeting of the same.

VI. The decision of the Association shall, in all cases, except in the matter of amendments to the Constitution, be made by a majority vote, but amendments to the Constitution must be adopted by a two-thirds vote. Amendments may be adopted at any meeting of the Association

VII. The Association reserves the inalienable right to withdraw from any church that abandons the principles of this organization.

VIII. This Association holds that the church of Christ, though not possessed of any sovereign authority, are nevertheless, in their

government, independent of each other, and of all other ecclesiastical organizations, and accountable to no tribunal, but to Christ only, and holds that while it is the duty of all churches, in temporal matters, they should be obedient to the laws of the land, in spiritual matters, they should be obedient alone to Jesus Christ, their only head and law-giver.

IX. While the Association holds that each church of Christ is an independent body, as above stated, it rather regards itself as an advisory council, but will not presume to dictate for the churches, but will give council which the churches may receive or reject; but the Association is of opinion that the best mode of settling differences between churches, is to take the same scriptural steps as are prescribed for the settling of difficulties between members; that the church that feels aggrieved should send a statement of the cause of the grievance to the sister church which gave the offense, and if it will not give Christian satisfaction, then call upon one or two sister churches to assist in a settlement, and if the offending church will not listen then, then report the same to this body, which will not pay attention to such complaints unless the above course of procedure has been complied with.

X. This Association will not admit or receive any church into membership in to the union, that is known to be in disorder, or composed of members excluded from another church of the same order as this Association

XI Any church in good standing in this Association shall at any time be allowed the privilege of withdrawing from the same by letter

XII. This Association may correspond and form a brotherly union with any Baptist organization holding similar views of doctrines and duty, with those held by this body.

XIII. This Association may appoint as many boards. or committees, as may be necessary for carrying on the business and accomplishing the objects of its organization. These, when so appointed, shall make reports at the times appointed by the Association.

XIV. The minutes shall be read and corrected, if necessary, in the morning of each day of the session, and at the close of the last day.

XV. As the business of the Association must be finished before its adjournment, no member shall be allowed to depart from any of its sessions without leave.

XVI. The objects of the Association shall be the circulation of the Scriptures in destitute places, the encouragement and aid of Foreign, Home, Conventional and Associational Missions, Education, Sunday-schools, and Temperance.

XVII. The Association shall keep a book in which this Constitution, and a minute of each session shall be recorded, which book shall be present at every meeting of the Association.

STATISTICAL TABLE OF

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	CLERKS.	POST OFFICES.	Meeting Days	
Bear Wallow	Richa'd Hudgins	G. H. Wall	Pump, N. C.	4	
Beulah	J. J. Gray	W. T. Drake	Bowman's Bluff	1&3	
Bat Cave	T. C. King	A. E. Hudgins	Bat Cave	1	
Broad River	Elbert Jackson	M. L. Searcey	Broad River	4	
Bethel	*				
Cedar Springs	*				
Crab Creek	J. W. Anderson	Elisha Osteen	Osteen	2	9
Double Springs	*				
Ebenezer	J. W. Anderson	J. J. Blythe			
French Broad	*	J. C. Morgan	Hendersonville	Reg	6
Golden Hill	*				
Green Mountain	A. I. Justice	Jay W. Freeman	Fruitland		
Green River	R. T. Hamilton	J. L. L. Pace	Zirconia	2	
Hendersonville	S. S. Gibson	A. B. Freeman	Hendersonville		1
Holly Springs	G. W. Mace	S. D. Osteen	Osteen	3	
Hoopers Creek	J. L. Brookshire	R. M. Prior	Fletchers		2
Liberty	*				
Macedonia	W. H. Jones	T. H. Williams	Dana	3	
Middle Fork	*				
Mills River	A. I. Justice	P. J. Sitton	Sitton	2	1 1
Saluda	T. B. Justice	R. T. Jones	Saluda	1	1
Mt. Chrystal	*				
Mt. Gilead	T. L. Brown	J. S. Rhodes	Mills River	4	4
Mt. Moriah	J. L. Brookshire	G. W. Ledbetter	Edneyville	4	16 4
Mud Creek	W. B. Johnson	J. H. Beck	Hendersonville	4	5
Mouniain Page	J. T. Singleton	R. W. J. Pace	Saluda	1&3	13 3
Mountain Valley	W. H. Jones	Thos E. Pace	Fish Top	2	8 6
Salem	A. I. Justice	W. J. Baldwin	Fletchers	4	1 4
Oak Grove	*	C. Shepherd	Flat Rock		
Pleasant Hill	T. J. Brock	W. B. Wilkie	Delmont	3	16
Shaw's Creek	G. W. Mace	W. D. Rymer	Hendersonville	2	18 4
Riverside	*				
Refuge	A. I. Justice	P. J. Ward	Dana	2	2 3

*Not represented.

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Carolina Baptist Association

In its Twenty-third Annual Session,

—HELD WITH THE—

SALUDA BAPTIST CHURCH, OCT. 5-6-7, 1899.

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—OF THE—

Twenty-third Annual Session

Carolina Baptist Association,

——HELD WITH THE——

Saluda Baptist Church, Oct. 5, 6 and 7, 1899.

Compiled by M. L. Shipman, Clerk, Hendersonville, N, C,

OFFICERS:

REV. A. I. JUSTICE, - - - - - MODERATOR.
M. L. SHIPMAN, - - - - - - - - CLERK.
W. J. BALDWIN, - - - - - - - TREASURER.
F. A. BROWN, - - - - - - - - HISTORIAN.

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ORDAINED MINISTERS.

J. L. Brookshire, Flat Rock.
N. W. Corn, Lead.
J. J. Gray, Bowman's Bluff.
L. C. Hamilton, "
W. A. Morris, "
S. S. Gibson, Hendersonville.
G. W. Johnson, "
J. L. McCarson, "
W. L. Richards, "
G. S. Jones, "
R. M. Gilbert, Dimsdale.
R. F. Hamilton, Osteen.
F C. Hamrick, Pump.
J. R. Heatherly, Saluda.
R. T. Jones, "
J. B. Middleton, "
W. L. Kuykendall, Saluda.
H. P. Patton, "
J. S. Rhodes, "
M. M. Staton, "
Richard Hudgins, Bat Cave.
W. S. Huntley, Bear Wallow.
W.B. Johnson, Grandeur S. C
Robert Springfield, "
W. H. Jones, Blue Ridge.
J. J. Justice, "
J. G. Stepp, "
A. I. Justice, Fruitland.
P. A. Kuykendall, Zirconia.
G. K. Moore. Gypsey.
J. S. Staton, Dana.
J. A Staton, "

The next session of the Carolina Baptist Association will be held with the Green Mountain Baptist Church, beginning on Thursday, before the Second Sunday in August, 1900, Rev. W. L. Richards to preach the Introductory Sermon at 11 o'clock, a. m.: Rev. W. H. Jones, alternate.

PROCEEDINGS.

SALUDA BAPTIST CHURCH,
Polk County, N. C.,
Thursday, Oct. 5, 1899.

The Carolina Baptist Association met this day in its twenty-third annual session with Saluda Baptist Church, at 11 o'clock a. m., and was called to order by the Moderator, Rev. A. I. Justice. Congregation sang, "How Firm a Foundation," after which a divine blessing was invoked by Rev. W. L. Richards, followed with singing "Amazing Grace."

The Introductory Sermon was then preached by Rev. J. L. Brookshire. Text: "Happy is the man that findeth wisdom, and the man that getteth understanding; for the merchandise of it is better than the merchandise of silver, and the gain thereof than fine gold.—Prov. 3:13-14.

Prayer by Rev. A. I. Justice followed with singing, "Come Holy Spirit," etc.

Upon motion of Elder J. L. Brookshire, the work of organization was deferred until the afternoon session. An adjournment was taken to 2:30 p. m. Benediction by Rev. W. H. Jones.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Re-assembled at 2:30 p. m., by singing "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name," and prayer by Rev. T. B. Justice. The office of Clerk having been made vacant by the death of Elder J. W. Anderson, upon the request of the Moderator, M. L. Shipman acted as Clerk pro tem.

The Moderator appointed brethren J. B. Freeman and F. A. Brown to act as reading clerks.

The following churches presented letters and delegates were enrolled as follows:

Bethel—W. F. Johnson, Luther Pace, T. T. Capps.

Beulah—Reverends J. J. Gray, L. C. Hamilton, and W. A. Mor-

ris; Brethren W. T. Drake, C. E. Moore, J. B. F. Revis, G. C. Orr, J. C. Clouse, H. D. Drake, J. W. Blythe..

Broad River—J. F. Gilliam, T. B. Ledbetter, J. Ledbetter, T. J. Owenby.

Cedar Springs—J. P. Corn, J. C. Capps, J. H. Capps, R. L. Capps.

Ebenezer—J. A. Collins, C. T. Allen, C. T. Brevard, Jos. Newman.

Green Mountain—Rev. A. I. Justice, J. B. Freeman, F. A. Brown, W. F. Powell, Freno Pitillo, Jay W. Freeman.

Green River—G. C. Beddingfield, J. B. F. Pace, H. W. Vernon, W. F. Pace.

Hooper's Creek—W. M. Maxwell, R. M. Prior, Hampton Souther, James Barnwell, J. D. Wilkie, N. B. Youngblood.

Hendersonville—M. L. Shipman, A. B. Freeman, J. P. Hyder, J. M. Justice, G. F. Stradley, J. M. Waldrop, S. J. Justice, J. Williams, J. E. Shipman, J. A. Bryan.

Liberty—J. O. Wall, J. W. Lyda, W. P. Maxwell.

Mountain Page—J. T. Staton, D. W. Pace, D. W. Robertson, W. T. Davis, J. M. Bell, A. F. Pace, O. B. Kelly.

Mud Creek—P. M. Jones, J. B. Justus, J. H. Beck, W. E. Jackson.

Mills River—S. C. Sitton, W. E. Field, G. M. Underwood.

Middle Fork—J. M. Wilson, J. W. Wilson.

Oak Grove—H. P. Kuykendall, J. F. Brookshire, William Anders.

Pleasant Hill—No letter. W. A. Merrell, R. B. Evans, recognized.

Refuge—B. A. Staton. J. P. Capps, R. P. Corn, J. L. Ward, J. W. Staton, B. Williams, H. P. Maxwell, Major Justus, P. T. Ward.

Riverside—W. B. Case, T. N. Redden, W. N. Corn.

Salem—W. J. Baldwin, J. N. Suttles, W. H. Young, W. J. Towe, C. S. Lance, J. G. Wolfe, Lonnie Young, D. M. Towe.

Bear Wallow—T. M. Maxwell, Thos. Hudgins, G. S. Wall.

Double Springs—J. W. Ward, G. B. Hudson, W. A. Wilson.

Locust Grove—A. J. McMinn, J. B. Middleton. This church made application for membership in the Association and was received by unanimous consent.

Macedonia—A. M. Revis, H. C. Guice, R. W. Fletcher.

Mount Moriah—A. T. Hart, J. H. Justice, H. P. Hill, C. M. Dalton, S. B. Nannie, Wm. Sinclair.

Saluda—S. D. Staton, J. I. Davis, R. W. Pace.

Rev. T. B. Justice was received as representative from the Green River Association and welcomed to a seat in the body.

A. T. Hart and J. I. Davis were appointed tellers and the Association went into the election of officers for the ensuing year, with the following result: Moderator, A. I. Justice; Clerk, M. L. Shipman; Treasurer, W. J. Baldwin. The election of Historian was postponed until to-morrow, pending report of present incumbent, Rev. W. S. Huntley.

The order of business for last year was accepted as a basis for the government of this session.

The following committee on "Obituaries" was appointed to draft suitable resolutions regarding the death of Rev. J. W. Anderson and make report to the body: J. B. Freeman, W. A. Merrell, C. T. Allen. Upon motion a collection was taken for the purpose of liquidating the debt due Mr. Anderson for compiling the minutes of last session. The amount of $10.60 was received and forwarded to surviving members of his family.

Leave of absence was granted as follows: To A. T. Hart, on account of sickness in his family. To P. T. Ward to attend funeral. To C. T. Allen, on account of business affairs.

Upon motion it was decided to separate the items of Home and Conventional Missions, making two distinct committees, to be designated as "State" and "Home" Missions.

The Moderator announced the following Committees, with the request that the one on Education report at 10:30 a. m., to-morrow.

ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS—J. I. Davis, J. W. Wilson, R. T. Jones.
ON OBITUARIES—J. B. Freeman, W. A. Merrell, C. T. Allen.
STATE OF RELIGION—W. H. Jones, Wesley Clark, R. P. Corn.
UNION MEETINGS—J. L. Brookshire, Johnson Ledbetter, W. S. Huntley.
FINANCE—W. J. Baldwin, W. B. Case, B. A. Staton.
TIME AND PLACE—T. B. Ledbetter, G. S. Wall, G. B. Hudson.
EDUCATION—W. L. Richards, J. B. Freeman, M. L. Shipman. On Motion, the Moderator was added to this Committee.
STATE MISSIONS—T. B. Justice, J. F. Brookshire, C. M. Dalton.
HOME MISSIONS—S. D. Staton, H. P. Maxwell, O. B. Kelly.
PERIODICALS—W. L. Richards, T. B. Justice, R. W. Pace.
ORPHANAGE—W. S. Huntley, John T. Staton, F. A. Brown.
TEMPERANCE—J. L. Brookshire, D. W. Towe, Wm. Anders.
FOREIGN MISSIONS—F. A. Brown, W. H. Jones, T. B. Justice.
RELIGIOUS EXERCISES—Pastor and Deacons of Saluda Church

SECOND DAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

Friday, Oct. 6.

Association convened at 9:30 a. m. Devotional exercises, conducted by Rev. W. H. Jones.

At 10 a. m. the Association was called to order by the Moderator. Minutes of yesterday's meeting were read and approved. An opportunity to present additional church letters was given and Mills River, Hooper's Creek and Mountain Valley responded with letters. Brother G. W. Allen was given permission to represent his church, Mount Gilead, with outcredentials.

Rev. A. E. Brown, representing the State Mission Board, was recognized by the Moderator and welcomed to a seat in the body. Brother Brown responded in a brief speech and asked that the question of State Missions be brought up to-day.

Reports of committees was called for and Rev. W. L. Richards offered the report on Education, which, after being discussed by brother Richards, Prof. W. F. Powell, Rev. T. B. Justice and Rev. A. E. Brown, was adopted.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

Education is a training. It is giving information as to the best way to use the heart tools, the head tools and the hand tools God has given us. If the hand is to act rightly the mind, which is its master, must somehow learn the way to direct it in the right; and if the mind is to think rightly, the heart, its master, must somehow learn to influence it toward right thoughts

Schools and Colleges and Universities deal more in "characters" than in "books" Teachers are "unpacking" brains more than they are inpacking facts. Brains and hearts are like water in a vessel, they increase in circumference according to the thing submerged in

them. No fact ever sunk into a boys mind that did not increase the dimensions of his thought.

Teachers are people who act as bows to the strings of youth, to push their heads and hearts and hands into the future.

Our schools teach reading and writing and arithmetic, and our colleges teach latin and greek and calculas, because these things are strings, the arrows of success must play from. Not to be able to read now is to be an ignoramus, of causes to a million every day effects. Not to be thought something of higher mathematics in youth means a waste of life and of good brains in after years.

Brother Solomon Jones made roads, but a greater than Solomon is here. It is the teacher that knows and will teach the young engineer all the principles Bro. Jones acted upon, and more besides.

Watt projected the locomotive, but not to know and be thought something of a train of cars to day, is needlessly to go back of where Watt was. The teacher seeks to project a boys thoughts into the future and save him the time and trouble of beginning with Adam or Noah.

And that man is sinning against his boy, who is forcing the child to live behind what has already been found out and can be taught him.

Schools and teachers simply offer to a boy or girl, what he may or can take of what has been found out and formulated. And to keep a child from school is to deny him a chance beginning his real life with the things which other men are willing and capable of giving him. Education is an acquaintance with fundamentals, from which to build a structure.

There are schools all over our land. There are colleges that are bidding for our influence. But this committee feels that it can find no better schools to recommend to our people than Fruitland High School, Mars Hill Preparatory school and Wake Forest College. And especially do we call attention to the report, following this, of the committee appointed by this Association establishing the High School at Fruitland. Respectfully,

W. L. RICHARDS,
J B. FREEMAN,
M. L. SHIPMAN.
Committee.

The report of the Committee on High School, read by brother Jay W. Freeman, was appended to the report just adopted. Remarks upon this motion were made by Rev. A. I. Justice and Elder J. L. Brookshire.

HIGH SCHOOL COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

We, Your committee, appointed by the last year's session, for the purpose of establishing a high school in the bounds of The Carolina Association, beg leave to submit the following report:

"After looking the county over and carefully considering all the advantages offered by the different localities, we decided to locate at Fruitland and opened a school for a term of five months, on the 2nd day of January, with Prof. F. A. Brown and Miss May Justice as teachers. We were so much encouraged by the success of said term that early in the fall we began with Prof. W. F. Powell, A. B., of Wake Forest College, F. A. Brown and Miss May Justice, with Bro. A. I. Justice, Principal. There is an enrollment of 150 students in this school, at present.

We have secured a lot of three acres of land upon which to build a

new house and the deed to this property has been made to The Carolina Association. The building is now in process of construction and well under way. We hope to have it ready for use by Christmas, with five large school rooms and auditorium 32x64 feet. The building is estimated to cost from $1500 to $2000. We have more than half the cost provided for; the remainder we have to secure as the work goes on.

Respectfully submitted.

JAY. W. FREEMAN, Sec'ty. A. I. JUSTICE, Chm'n.

A motion prevailed authorizing the appointment of a committee to draft articles amendatory to the constitution and to recommend a Board of Directors for Fruitland Institute. The following were appointed: T. B. Justice, J. B. Freeman, M. L. Shipman.

Upon motion the body adjourned one hour and thirty minutes for dinner. Benediction by Rev. Adam Corn.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Re-assembled at 2:15 p. m. by singing "Jesus Lover of My Soul," and prayer by Rev. A. E. Brown.

The special committee on resolutions of respect to Rev. J. W. Anderson made report and after remarks by Rev. Adam Corn and others the report was unanimously adopted by a rising vote. The following resolution offered by Elder T. B. Justice, after remarks by brethren J. B. Freeman, A. I. Justice, J. L. Brookshire, A. E. Brown was also adopted:

Resolved, That five pages of the minutes of this Association be set apart to the memory of the following: James Blythe, W. J. Wilkie, D. B. Nelson, G. W. Mace and J. W. Anderson, and that a cut of each be used in the same if they can be secured.

The committee on religious exercises made the following announcement: "Rev. Adam Corn will preach this evening at 7:30; Rev. A. I. Justice to-morrow evening, at the same hour, and Rev. W. L. Richards at 11:00 a. m. on Sunday."

The report of the committee on State Missions was then read and discussed by Rev. T. B. Justice, followed with a most excellent address by Elder A. E. Brown and remarks by Elder J. L. Brookshire. A collection for State Missions was taken, amounting to $3.57, and pledges from churches as viz:

PLEDGES FOR STATE MISSIONS.

Bear Wallow	$ 2 50
Broad River	2 50
Ebenezer	2 50
Green Mountain	10 00
B. Y. P. U, Green Mountain	5 00
Hendersonville	25 00
Hooper's Creek	2 50
Liberty	2 50
Macedonia	2 00
Mills River	5 00
Middle Fork	2 50
Saluda	5 00
Mount Gilead	5 00
Mount Moriah	5 00
Mud Creek	2 00
Mount Valley	2 00
Salem	5 00

Oak Grove	3 00
Pleasant Hill	2 50
Riverside	3 00
Refuge	5 00
Mountain Page	1 00
Locust Grove	1 00
Total	$103 50

Report of Committee on Union Meetings was then read and adopted, without discussion.

The report of the Committee on Temperance was presented and discussed by Elder J. L. Brookshire. After authorizing a few minor changes, this report was also adopted.

Adjourned to meet to-morrow at 9:30 a. m. Benediction by Rev. T. C. King.

THIRD DAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

Saturday, October 7.

The Association assembled at 10 a. m. by singing "Jesus Lover." Reading of scripture and prayer by Rev. T. C. King. Called to order by the Moderator.

Minutes of yesterday's meeting were read and approved.

Roll call of churches dispensed with. By motion, permission was given the Clerk to receive and incorporate the statistics of Bat Cave church in the minutes, the letter having been unavoidably delayed in reaching the Association.

Upon motion the body proceeded to elect a Historian for the ensuing year. Prof. F. A. Brown was selected to compile this work and Rev. G. S. Jones and brother George Underwood were chosen as assistants in collecting such data, as may be obtainable, for this purpose.

Report of the commitee on revision of the constitution was presented by Elder T. B. Justice and adopted by a rising vote. And upon the recommendation of this committee, the following were elected Trustees of Fruitland Institute for the terms indicated :

FOR ONE YEAR.—Z. V. Brevard, W. A. Smith, J. T. Staton, J. Williams, Samuel Nanny.

FOR TWO YEARS.—L. P. Pittillo, W. J. Baldwin, R. M. Prior, J. S. Rhodes, J. T. Pace.

FOR THREE YEARS.—Erwin Maxwell, W. L. Richards, Brownlow Jackson, Jay W. Freeman, A. I. Justice.

Rev. T. C. King, of the Buncombe county association, was recognized and welcomed to a seat in the body.

Commitee on Time and Place reported as follows : "We, your committee on Time and Place, beg leave to report that the next meeting of the Association will be held with the church at Green Mountain, beginning on Thursday before the second Sunday in October 1900. Introductory sermon to be preached by Rev. W. L. Richards with Rev. W. H. Jones as alternate.

T. B. LEDBETTER,
G. S. WALL,
G. B. HUDSON.
Committee.

Prof. F. A. Brown moved to amend by substituting the word August in place of October, and after discussion by Rev. T. C. King, W. B. Case, R. M. Prior and J. B. Freeman, the report as amended, was adopted.

Prof. F. A. Brown offered the report on Foreign Missions which was adopted.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The last command of our ascending Lord, was; "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature."

The Southern Baptist Convention, in order to do this, has established missions in China, Japan, Italy, Mexico, Africa, South America and the Islands of the Sea.

The progress, which has been made on these fields, is very encouraging. From the latest report of The Foreign Mission Board, we get the following: In China we have 40 missionaries, 55 native helpers, 22 churches. There have been baptised within the past year—present year—(1899) 427, and the present indications are that this number will be increased to nearly 1000. The membership now is 1802.

The number of baptisms in the other fields are, for the same peri od, Africa, 37; Italy, 38; Mexico, 45; Brazil, 285; Japan, 13. The total number of missionaries in the field 82.

In obediance to the command, and, with a faith firmly fixed upon the promise, "And lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the world," these consecrated men and women have gone forth to carry the story of love. But the number of reapers is inadequate to the harvest. The Macedonian cry is still being made, and there are many consecrated men and women ready to heed the command But, "How shall they go, unless they be sent," and how shall they remain, unless they be supported ?

There are a thousand million of the world's inhabitants without the gospel, and there are 33,000,000 of the benighted souls sent into eternity annually with no promises beyond the judgement.

Surely there must be something wrong with those churches, which give so little to this cause. We recommend the reading of the Foriegn Mission Journal.

F. A. BROWN,
Chairman.

PLEDGES FOR FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The following pledges were secured for the advancement of the Foreign Mission cause :

Bear Wallow	$ 2 00	Saluda	5 00
Bat Cave	5 00	Mount Gilead	5 00
Broad River	2 0	Mount Moriah	2 00
Cedar Springs	1 00	Mountain Page	1 00
Green Mountain	10 00	Mounta n Valley	2 00
Green River	2 00	Salem	5 00
Hendersonville	50 00	Oak Grove	2 00
Hooper's Creek	2 50	Pleasant Hill	2 50
Liberty	2 50	River Side	5 00
Macedonia	2 00	Refuge	5 00
Middle Fork	2 50	Locust Grove	1 00
Mills River	10 00		
		Total	$ 127 50

Adjourned one hour and thirty minutes for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Reassembled at 2:30 p. m. Prayer by Prof. W. F. Powell. Read letters from Mills River, Mount Gilead and Cedar Springs churches.

Brother N. B Hampton, of the Green River Association, was invited to participate in the deliberations of the body and made an appropriate response.

The report on Sunday-schools was introduced by J. B. Freeman, and an interesting discussion followed, in which the following brethren participated: W. L. Richards, W. B. Case, T. B. Justice, R. T. Jones, R. M. Prior, R. P. Corn and J. W. Wilson. The report was adopted without change.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

We believe there is a healthful improvement in the Sunday School work this year, especially, where the pastors are properly enlisted in the work.

We find an enrollment of 1004 scholars reported in the church letters, notwithstanding, many of the letters fail to report their work in this line. We believe there is 2000 scholars enrolled in the bounds of our Association. What an army! And yet we fear, not more than one-half of our children are in attendance.

Therefore, we especially urge, that pastors make special efforts to have their respective churches look after their different localities.

The days of questioning literature have passed, but we fear that in the introduction of literature we are growing careless in regard to the use of the Bible in the Schools. We should have the Bible in the Schools, it matters not how much literature is used.

We feel constrained to suggest, that much more good may be done, if the Superintendents and teachers will, in connection with religious training, teach the children the importance of secular schools, because we recognize the fact, that many of the children attend the Sunday School better than the free schools. And if their parents can, and will not, see the propriety of making their children attend the secular shools, through the instrumentality of the Sunday School, much good may be done in this direction.

Respectfully submitted,

J. I. DAVIS,
JOHN WILSON,
ROBERT T. JONES,
Committee.

The report on State of Religion was read and adopted without discussion.

REPORT ON STATE OF RELIGION.

We, the committee on State of Religion, find that there have been great improvements made during the past year.

Whereas, 83 were baptised last year, 131 new baptisms are reported to the Association this year.

Respectfully submitted,

W. H. JONES.
G. W. CLARK,
R. P. CORN,
Committee.

Report of Finance Committee was then read and approved. Likewise the report on Home Missions.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Your committee on Finance report:

Collected from the various churches, for printing the minutes, $23.73.

W. J. BALDWIN,
W. B. CASE,
B. A. STATON,
Committee.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

The work of the Home Mission Board is only one branch of the great, and under God's blessing, the successful work of the great body of Southern Baptists, for the enlightenment of humanity on the subject of soul saving.

It's work is not confined to North Carolina, though it has aided greatly in the furtherance of the cause of Christ within the limit of our beloved state. Neither is it confined to the American continent.

Great opportunities for doing good for God's Kingdom and the great brotherhood of mankind, are now open to us in the territory from which the yoke of Spanish oppression, and the chains of Popery have so lately been lifted. Also in the states and territories now being so rapidly populated by all classes of people, the necessity of disseminating gospel truth is impressed upon us. These become a part of our nation, our people, our government. If they be christainized, they will be a great factor for good, but if they be neglected they will breed lawlessness and immorality.

"All the world" and "every creature" are parts of our Master's last injunction, that should govern all bounds of State and limits of territory. We recommend that pastors and leaders of church work in this association and elsewhere familiarize themselves with the work and needs of this board and the people being enlightened by its efforts, and that we do more in this line of work that heretofore. One-tenth of the Baptist churches in N. C. have been organized under the efforts of the Home Mission Board. Let us give them our support.

S. D. STATON
H. P. MAXWELL,
O. B. KELLY,
Committee.

Other reports, to which reference has been made, as finally adopted, are:

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

When the work of State Missions is mentioned to one, at all familiar with its workings, is to unroll a scroll before the mind's eye upon which is written the struggles and successes of God's people for nearly two hundred years.

Brave hearts throbbed behind bosoms bared to the missiles of death in defence of our native land, and that is patriotism—but braver souls have faced the dark prospects, and gloom of ignorance to plant the banner of the victory of Calvary in every valley, on every mountain of this land we love so dearly.

Over one third of the Baptist churches in North Carolina have

been organized through the efforts of the State Missions. In over four thousand destitute fields, in North Carolina, it has held up the light of gospel truth. God has blessed the work. It has been supported, principally, by the contributions of the common people, in the Baptist churches of this state. To this same class comes the command of our Master and the promised presence of the Comforter's guidance and wisdom. To us the board must look for mean's to carry on its work. Its employees receive no fancy remunerations, but most of them get less of this world's goods, than they could make at other work.

Last year, the board expended $15,000 in State work. This year, owing to the annexation of the territory formerly belonging to the Western North Carolina Convention and the placing of additional laborers in the field, they need $20,000. It is our privilege to do our part in this work,—to co-operate with the brethren and with Christ Jesus, too, in this noble work of saving souls.

The work is being done in about sixty-five counties in the State and at nearly four hundred different fields. God blesses the work, and the reports of encouragement fill our hearts with gratitude and joy.

This work is comparatively new to this Association. Let us remember that it is as old as the story of the bewildered disciples, who stood looking upward after our ascended Lord. There is no excuse for lethargy. There are no exceptions from the command to "go and teach." Let us do our part.

T. B. JUSTICE,
J. L. BROOKSHIRE,
C. M. DALTON.
Committee.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

The committee on Temperance reported as follows:

It is said by some that whiskey is good in its place, but in the opinion of your committee, it has no place in a christian community. We should war against this monster and the evils attending it, praying, ever, that the cause may be removed, which alone, can bring about the condition desired.

We are glad to find that the great cause of Temperance is making some advancement within the bounds of our Association. There are no licensed saloons in Henderson county and only two, in the entire district embracing our organization.

Blockaders, in some localities, are needing attention and if our officers and citizens will unite in an honest effort to put down this traffic, the result will be that the christian people will rejoice in the complete annihilation of this great soul destroyer.

Reformation must begin in the churches, brethren, and we should awake to the realization of the duties incumbent upon us and put forth every effort possible for the rescue of our boys and girls from the blighting effects of sin, in all its forms.

Respectfully submitted,

J L. BROOKSHIRE,
WM. ANDERS,
D. M. TOWE.
Committee.

REPORT ON UNION MEETINGS.

We, your committee on Union Meetings, beg to submit the following report:

Upon investigation, we find this work has been prosecuted with better success and greater satisfaction, during the past year, than for several years previous. However, there is room for improvement, and thinking a division of territory would result favorably to the work, we recommend the following arrangement:

Let the State road divide the Association North and South and the Mount Hebron road, East and West, thereby creating four sections in which to operate, selecting a general manager for each division. The following brethren are nominated to supervise the work in their respective sections: J. B. Freeman, A. T. Hart, J. F. Brookshire and W. B. Case.

If elected, we hope these brethren will put their hearts in this work and arrange a good program for each meeting. Let us all co-operate with them and make these Unions more interesting then ever before.

Respectfully Submitted,

J. L. BROOKSHIRE,
J. LEDBETTER,
W. S. HUNTLY,
Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON OBITUARIES.

Reports from the churches within the bounds of our association indicate that there have been twenty-eight deaths during the past year.

At the last session this body it was called upon to chronicle the death of our noble and venerable brother, Rev. James Blythe, who had labored long and faithfully in the vineyard of his Master. Now it becomes our painful duty to record the passing of another mighty man, over the Dark River, into the regions of Eternal Hush. Our dearly beloved brother, Rev. J. Wesley Anderson, died at his post, while fighting for King Emanuel.

In brother Anderson's death, the Association sustained a loss which can never be supplied. To know him, was to love him and no one dared to question his veracity in church or in State. He was a man. A lovable christian character, which all who knew him would do well to emulate in precept and example.

Our association will miss his wise counsel; our churches will miss his honest and earnest admonitions; the cause of Temperance will miss a worthy promoter; his neighbors will miss his generous acts of benevolence in times of trouble and afflictions; but most of all, his orphan children will miss the assistance and instructions of a kind and indulgent father.

Brother Anderson was a self-made man. Our young men of to-day would profit by taking his life as an example in their efforts to attain prominence in the world. He began in the humble sphere of a poor farmer's son and worked his way to a higher pinnacle of success in the ministry and became a wise counsellor in the legislative halls of his state, commanding the respect and admiration of all good men with whom he came in contact.

He was to the Baptist cause of this section, what Phillip Melanchthon was to the Reformation in the thirteenth century.

Brethren, let us bow with humble submission to the will of our

Heavenly Father, in removing from our midst such noble benefactors as Wilkie, Blythe, Mace, Nelson and Anderson, knowing that He is able and willing to raise up second Joshuas to succeed them, as in the days of Moses.

J. B. FREEMAN,
J. L. BROOKSIRE,
W. A. MERRELL.
Committee.

Committee on Orphanage made report, which, after remarks by F. A. Brown, W. S. Huntly and A. I. Justice, was adopted.

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE.

The work at the Orphanage has never been so prosperous as for the past year. God has greatly blessed the Institution.

It is to be regretted that so many of our churches seem to manifest so little interest in this great work. There are hundreds of helpless children in our state, without homes, exposed to every snare that Satan can devise. We should provide for them.

We recomend that pastors take at least one collection, a year, for this object, and that every Sunday-school take a collection once a month.

W. S. HUNTLY,
F. A. BROWN.
Committee.

Rev. W. L. Richards read report from committee on Periodicals and made a strong speech upon the same. He was followed by T. C. King, T. B. Justice, the Moderator, John Justice and R. T. Jones.

The Report as read was adopted.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

A man becomes, in character, what he thinks about and nothing feeds his thoughts like the things he reads. In these times, the book and paper stimulate the mind and elevate or degrade character, second only to a personal companion. And the printed page can approach us when and where no other teacher or tempter can.

In this day of books and periodicals, it is reading that brings us to our mental worst or best; and lays before us the worst or best of other minds, stronger and more gifted, it may be, than our own. And it is as dangerous to read promiscuously as it is to make confidants of every passer-by.

No wine can quicken the blood, like a suggestive book can stimulate the brain. No noble acquaintance can arouse the heart-strength as an evil book can fan the passions. No teacher can touch the depth for good in a man like poisoned print can befoul the springs of his inner being. And so our homes are often made or marred by the reading matter on our table, or by the absence of it.

The boy or girl is ready to receive the best or worst in personal friendships according to the latch his printed friends have lifted in his heart. For read, they will and must, for every road and street and store window is a signboard of letters. Every dawn is a shower of newspapers and every evening brings its dews of pamphlets.

What a responsibility rests upon parent, teacher, and pastor to filter the vast cataract of literature that is sweeping our country.

Your committee feels that this association needs to endorse more strongly the papers of our denomination and to beg the guardians of

our youth and future civilization, to put into their homes, and urge their wards to read, at least one if not all of the papers, the concentrated wisdom of our leaders suggest.

The "Biblical Recorder" is the conventional organ of our denomination. Its circumference sweeps the State for religious news; and its doctrines finds their centers in the "Old Book." Take it, brethren, into your home. "Charity and Children" is as a hand that would rear heart-flowers in our gardens. It nurtures sympathy and cultivates tenderness, while it tells of the success of our orphanage in transmutting the lead of despair in the heart of lonely children, into the iron of manhood and the golden graces of womanhood.

The Skyland Baptist and The North Carolina Baptist, The Foreign Mission Journal and Home Field are all worthy of our recommendation for they are "fruitful boughs by a well, whose branches run over our wall."

Respectfully Submitted.
W. L. RICHARDS.
T. B. JUSTICE
R. W. PACE.
Committee.

WHAT THE WOMEN HAVE DONE THIS YEAR.

Raleigh, N. C., June 26, 1899.

TO THE CAROLINA ASSOCIATION:

Since the last meeting of this body it has given the Woman's Central Committee of Missions of North Carolina great pleasure to welcome the Woman's Missionary Societies of the Western Convention to its work. We trust and believe that this union will be a blessing to the Woman's Mission work of our whole State.

The Woman's Central Committee was appointed by the State Board of Missions in 1896. At that time there were but fourteen Woman's Societies connected with the churches of the State. After thirteen years of work we can report about 350 societies, which contributed last year $6,893. Since the organization of the Committee (1886) the total amount reported by the societies has been $44,664. But though the work has attained this growth, there is still much to do, the aim of the committee being, A Woman's Missionary Society in every church and every Woman a Member of it. We solicit the aid and encouragement of every minister, and will be pleased to have inquiries as to the nature of the work. The universal testimony is that a Woman's Missionary Society is a help to every department of church work, and that the faithful members grow in the grace of God and in the knowledge of his word.

The Vice President of this Association is Miss Lida Carter, Mills River, who will gladly give any information in regard to the work.

In the thirty-three churches of this Association there are only five Woman's Missionary Societies. These are Hendersonville, Refuge, Salem, Mt. Gilead and Green Mountain.

Respectfully Submitted,
FANNIE E. L. HECK,
President State Central Committee.

WOMAN'S MEETING.

At ten o'clock Friday morning, the Woman's Missionary Societies

of the Carolina Association met in the Presbyterian church at Saluda.

Devotional exercises conducted by the president, Miss Lyda Carter. There were but two Societies represented, Fruitland and Mt. Gilead.

Some of the ladies of Saluda church were present. We had a very pleasant meeting. The following contributions for all objects, were reported; Fruitland, $20.25; Mt. Gilead, $9.25.

We hope the coming years will be attended with better results.

Respectfully,

MISS MAY JUSTICE,
Secretary.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

I have received from Finance Committee $17.77, which was paid the French Broad Hustler, by order of the Clerk, Rev. J. W. Anderson, for printing minutes of 1898. Also received from Conventional Missions: Salem church, $2.00; Ebenezer, $2.00. Paid same to Rev. C. S. Caswell, representing Mission Board.

Respectfully Submitted,

W. J. DAVIS,
Treasurer.

John H. Justice was selected to represent the Association in the approaching session of the State Covention, with J. B. Freeman alternate.

The Association then went into the election of a representative on State Mission Board. Brother T. J. Rickman was the choice of the body and will be recommended as the choice of the organization for this position.

Rev. W. L. Richards was unanimously chosen to represent the Association in the next session of the Southern Baptist Convention and Rev. A. I Justice, as alternate.

The following resolution, offered by Prof. F. A. Brown, was unanimously adopted by a rising vote:

Resolved, That the thanks of this body are due, and hereby tendered, the members of this church and community for their generous hospitality.

There being no further business, the association adjourned to meet with the Green Mountain Baptist Church on Thursday before the second Sunday in August, 1900. Sang "Doxology." Benediction by the Moderator. A. J. JUSTICE, MODERATOR.

M. L. SHIPMAN, Clerk.

FOURTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

There was no business transacted on Sunday, the last day of the session. It had been previously announced that Rev. W. L. Richards, of Hendersonville, would preach at 11 a. m., and a large crowd assembled to hear this distigunished divine. He spoke with great force aud power and was listened to with marked interest.

M. L. SHIPMAN, Clerk.

Constitution.

ART. 1 This Association shall be known as the Carolina Baptist Association and shall be composed of such representatives as the churches constituting this body may select and send as delegates to its meetings, together with all ordained ministers, who are members of said churches, and each church shall report by letter to each annual session, the number of its membership, additions, and losses from whatever causes, with statistics, contributions, finances, etc.

Each church shall be entitled to three delegates and one additional delegate for each fifty members in excess of one hundred, and the name of no delegate shall appear in the minutes except such as are in actual attendance during the session of the body.

ART. 2 The organization of the body shall be preceded by the preaching of an introductory sermon and shall then be organized by the moderator of the former session, calling the body to order, and the enrolling of delegates from the various churches, who shall compose the body and proceed, by ballot, to the election of a Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer, and Historian, who shall hold their offices until their successors shall be elected at the opening of the next annual session.

ART. 3. The Association may adopt such rules of order as may from time to time be deemed advisable.

ART. 4. Any church holding the principles of the doctrines of Christ, and the ordinances of his house as accepted by missionary Baptist churches, may become a member by application at any regular session of the Association, and acceptance by a majority vote of the same.

ART. 5. A majority vote shall be sufficient to pass any motion, resolution or other action of the body, except to amend the Constitution, which shall only be done by a vote of two thirds of the members for such amendment.

ART 6. The Association may at any meeting withdraw from any church that abandons the principles of this organization.

ART. 7. This Association regards each Baptist church as an independent body and this organization as a co-operative body having for its object the furtherance of the cause of Christ, the betterment of humanity, and the enlightenment of mankind the world over, by the preaching of the gospel and the furtherance of christian education.

ART. 8. Any church in good standing in this association, may upon its own request be dismissed by letter from membership

ART. 9. The Moderator shall appoint such committees as may be necessary for the transaction of the business and these shall report at such times as may be directed by the body

ART. 10 The minutes of the previous day shall be read at the opening of each day and corrected if necessary, and approved, and the minutes of the entire session shall be read and approved previous to final adjournment.

ART. 11. No member shall absent himself from any session of the body, without leave of the same.

ART. 12. The Association shall, before its final adjournment, fix a time and place for the next annual meeting and select one of the ministers of the body to preach he introductory sermon

ART. 13. This body shall at each annual session appoint an executive board of three efficient and active brethren, whose duty it shall be to advise and co-operate with the Board of State Missions in regard to

supplying or aiding any fields within our bounds, in preaching the gospel or other such work as may be necessary.

ART. 14. That this Association shall at the present session appoint a Board of Trustees consisting of fifteen members, five of whom shall hold their office for twelve months, five for two years and five of them for three years. Terms of office of the first five members named on said committee shall expire at the end of one year from this session, and their places shall be filled by appointment of this body, and each session of this body shall fill the vacancies occuring by expiring terms, or from death, resignation or otherwise, at its regular annual meeting.

That said Board of Trustees shall constitute the Board of Education of the Carolina Association and shall be empowered to receive donations and hold property, both real and personal for educational purposes, to procure the neccessary charters for educational institutions and that any legal action necessary for the advancement and interest of education in the bounds of this Association.

Said Board shall also take control, possession and the general supervision of all school property belonging to the Association, shall establish and direct the management of schools and report their proceedings and recommendations to each annual session of this body for ratification. Said body shall have no power to purchase property or contract debts, but by the authority of a two-thirds vote of the Association at its annual. meeting The officers of said Board shall be a President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer and Executive board, whose duties shall be those usually performed by such officers and such further duties as the Board may designate. The said Board may fix time and place for meeting and adjournment, provided, nevertheless, that the President and three other members of the Board may call a meeting at such times, and places as the business of the same may require, and seven members present at any meeting shall be a quorum, for the transaction of business.

ART. 15. This body shall be governed by the rules of Mell's Parliamentary Practice

ART. 16. This Constitution shall be printed in the minutes of each annual session of the Association.

STATISTICAL TABLE THE CHURCHES

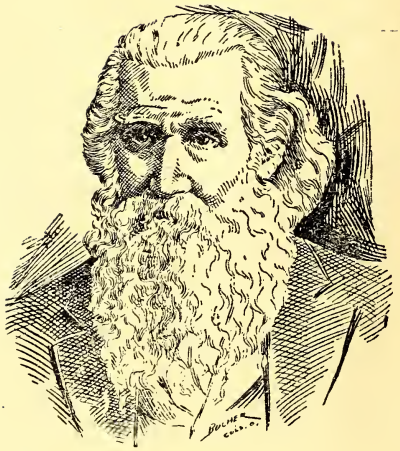
CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	CLERKS.	POST OFFICES.	Meeting Days	Restored	Excluded	Died	Male Members	Female Members	Total Membership	When Constituted	Conventional Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions
Bethel	Rob't Springfield	J. T. Johnson	Grandeur, S. C.	4	...	...	...	...	...	36	1897	...	...	...
Beulah	J. J. Gray	W. T. Drake	Bowman's Bluff	1	...	1	1	82	144	226	...	...	...	...
Bear Wallow	Richard Hudgins	G. S. Wall	Bear Ballow	4	1	1	...	25	30	55	...	...	...	$ 5
Bat Cave	T. C. King	A. E. Hudgins	Bat Cave	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Broad River	J. L. Brookshire	M. L. Searcey	Broad River	...	1	...	2	37	71	108	...	...	$ 2.50	2
Cedar Springs	W. H. Jones	J. C. Capps	Lead	...	1	3	2	58	53	111	...	...	...	...
Double Springs	Robert Hamilton	G. B. Hudson	Splendor	3	2	...	3	1	35	42	77	...	...	...	...
Ebenezer	A. I. Justice	C. T. Brevard	Hendersonville	2	2	...	...	29	45	74	...	...	2.00	...
Green Mountain	A. I. Justice	J. L. Freeman	Fruitland	3	2	2	...	66	100	166	...	...	6.00	10
Green River	R. F. Hamilton	J. L. L. Pace	Lead	2	1	4	4	...	...	85	...	...	...	...
Hoopers Creek	W. S. Huntley	R. M. Prior	Fletcher	1	1	1	2	36	59	95	...	...	...	2
Hendersonville	W. L. Richards	A. B. Freeman	Hendersonville	Reg	...	...	...	155	86	241	...	$ 33.60	...	104
Liberty	W. S. Huntley	W. P. Maxwell	Maxwell	3	...	...	...	28	55	83	1840	...	1.20	3
Locust Grove	W. H. Jones	A. J. McMinn	Fruitland	...	1	...	3	1	22	24	46	1898	...	...
Macedonia	W. H. Jones	T. H. Williams	Saluda	3	...	...	...	...	21	31	...	...	...	1
Mud Creek	W. B. Johnson	J. H. Beck	Hendersonville	4	2	...	4	25	53	78	...	...	...	...
Mountain Page	J. T. Singleton	R. W. I. Pace	Saluda	1	5	...	7	4	118	133	251	...	...	1.95	...
Mills River	A. I. Justice	P. J. Sitton	Sitton	1	6	...	1	...	46	66	112	...	...	8.02	13
Middle Fork	W. S. Huntley	W F. Huntley	Bear Wallow	2	2	...	5	2	15	40	55	...	...	.87	1
Mount Moriah	J. L. Brookshire	G. W. Ledbetter	Edneyville	4	5	...	4	2	85	128	213	...	...	...	...
Mount Gilead	A. I. Justice	J. S. Rhodes	Mills River	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5.00	...	...
Mountain Valley	W. H. Jones	T. E. Pace	Fish Top	3	12	1	6	...	26	34	60	1887	...	...	...
Oak Grove	W. L. Kuykendall	Chas. Shepard	Flat Rock	...	...	...	...	24	42	66	1875	2.00	...	...	...
Pleasant Hill	J. L. Brookshire	Willard Wilkie	Delmont	...	...	...	...	...	...	140	...	.45	...	...	...
Refuge	W. H. Jones	P. T. Ward	Dana	2	...	...	...	157	201	358	...	5.00	1.42	...
Riverside	R. M. Gilbert	W. N. Corn	Horse Shoe	1	2	1	...	...	32	47	79	1888	1.50	...
Salem	T. C. King	W. J. Baldwin	Fletcher	3	6	1	...	2	82	103	185	...	.65	...	...
Saluda	T. B. Justice	R. T. Jones	Saluda	4	8	...	2	1	27	41	68	...	10.25	...	...

The churches not represented are: Crab Creek, Mt. Olivet, Mt. Gilgench Broad, Shaws Creek, Pleasant Grov

SUNDAY-SCHOOL STATISTICAL TABLE FOR 1899.

CHURCH.	SUPERINTENDENTS.	No. of Officers and Teachers.	No. of Scholars....	Av. Attendance...	Contributed for Support of School.	Contributed for Other Purposes.
Bethel			40			
Beulah	H. D. Drake			45		
Beulah Branch S.	T. A. Drake Jr.			50		
Bear Wallow	T. M. Merrell	7	62		$ 3 00	92
Broad River	D. L. Clements	7		20	3 76	
Green Mountain		8	80	65	12 00	$ 5 00
Hoopers Creek	R. M. Prior	3	75			
Hendersonville	J. A. Maddrey	12	200	118	25 00	60 00
Liberty	W. E. Maxwell	3				
Macedonia	R. W. Fletcher	8	57	38		
Mud Creek	P. M. Jones	4		40	6 00	
Mills River	S. C. Sitton	5	60	38	5 00	
Middle Fork				25		
Mount Gilead	J. A. Hooper		60	45	4 00	
Oak Grove	H. P. Kuykendall	4	40	28		
Refuge	P. T. Ward	8	107	75		
Riverside	W. B. Case		52	35	4 50	
Salem	W. J. Baldwin	6	40	35	5 50	
Saluda	R. T. Jones	5	137		19 45	

☞The letters from Cedar Springs, Double Springs, Ebenezer, Green River, Locust Grove, Mountain Page, Mount Moriah, Mountain Valley and Pleasant Hill churches, contained no report of Sunday Schools.



MR. JOHN H. JUSTICE,
Associational Delegate to Baptist State Convention.

IN MEMORIAM.

MEMOIRS OF DECEASED MINISTERS.

Rev. J. Wesley Anderson.

(French Broad Hustler, Aug., 10, 1899.)

Rev. J. Wesley Anderson died at his home near Delmont in the valley of the Ochlawaha on Thursday morning, Aug. 3, 1899, after an illness of three weeks. He was buried on the day following at Pleasant Hill cemetery in the presence of a large concourse of sorrowing relatives and friends.

The subject of this sketch was born in Henderson county in the year 1845 and was therefore 55 years of age at the time of his death. He was the second son of Mr. and Mrs. John Anderson, who are so favorably known throughout this section. The remaining members of the family, eleven in number, are still living. Two of the brothers, William and Enoch, are engaged in the ministry, the former being pastor of a large church in Chickasha, Ind. Ter., and the latter at some point in South Carolina. Hon. H. S. Anderson, of Hendersonville, and former State Senator, who was recently a appointed a Referee in Bankruptcy by Judge Ewart is also a brother of the deceased.

Mr. Anderson was married in 1872 to Miss Matilda McCrary, and to them were born fifteen children, thirteen now living. He has held many positions of honor in his native county and was its representative in the Legislature of 1890. But his life work was in the Christian ministry and few men have accomplished more successful results. His first work in this connection was the organization of Sunday Schools and conducting religious services in the most destitute parts of the county. Many of these feeble organizations at first, have under his fostering care, grown into flourishing churches and the Baptist denomination owes a debt of gratitude to this noble and consecrated man. At one time he was engaged in the public school work and this writer remembers him as one among his first tutors, in the seventies.

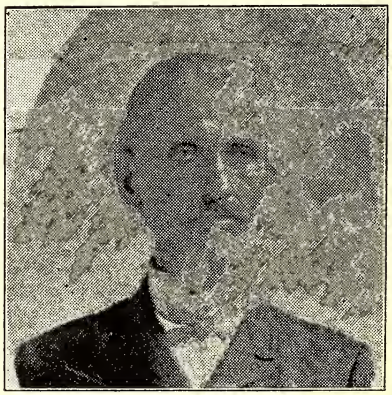
"A noble life has drawn to a close. Duty was his watch-word. In him the noblest sentiment of religion, of purest patriotism and of humanity were found. In all the relations of life he measured up to the high standard of true manhood."

Rev. G. W. Mace.

Rev. G. W. Mace was born in Yancey, now Mitchell county, N.C., on the 20th day of March, 1825. His father died when he was quite young, leaving the care of a helpless family to a widowed mother. She being in moderate circumstances could give her children only a limited education, but while she was poor in this world's goods, she was rich towards God. By her prayer and christian training early led her son to the Saviour. At about sixteen years of age he united with the

Missionary Baptist church of which he remained a faithful and consistent member until his his death. He was married to Miss Mira Wright when about 18 years old, with whom he lived happily for 56 years. The fruits of this union was ten children, five girls and five boys, of whom seven are still living and are highly respectable citizens in the communities in which they live.

Soon after his marriage, Brother Mace felt himself called to work in the gospel ministry to which call he was not disobedient. Although confronted by many difficulties he had the help of the blessed Master who said, "I will be with you always, even unto the end of the world." After his ordination to the ministry he labored in Mitchell and adjoining counties, ten or twelve years. He then came to Henderson county, making it his permanent home until his death. For more than fifty years he stood in the very front rank of gospel ministers. He traveled through heat and cold, crossed rivers and mountains and carried the good news of the gospel to many of the destitute in the mountains of Tennessee, Virginia, North and South Carolina and Georgia.



REV. G. W. MACE.

He served many churches successfully as pastor, but as an evangelist he attained the greatest success. He baptised nearly four thousand persons, who under his labors had professed faith in Christ. Many of the leading men and several of the ministers of the gospel can point with delight to the time when they were led into the watery grave by Brother Mace.

He preached his last sermon at Mt. Olivet Union meeting, when all the fire of youth seemed to return and he preached with unusual power.

He was summoned to his final reward from Piedmont, S. C., where he had gone to visit his two daughters and son, S. M. Mace, who live at that place, He died as had lived, in the faith of the gospel which

he so successfully preached, on the 17th day of June, 1899; aged 74 years, 2 month and 27 days. His remains were brought home and interred in the cemetery at Beulah church, June 19th. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. J. W. Anderson. The unusual large attendance attested to the general sadness ocassioned by the death of this man. The bereaved widow and children have the sympathy of the entire community.

J. W. ANDERSON.

Rev. James Blythe.

Rev. James Blythe was born Nov 28, 1808 on Big Willow, then in Buncombe county, on the homestead of his father, Jesse Blythe. Married Martha Nelson, daughter of Abraham Nelson, before he was twenty years old, with whom he lived till the time of her death, Feb. 18, 1888. He professed faith in Christ, joined the old Beulah Baptist Church, in the year 1835 and was baptised in the French Broad River, near what is now known as the Widow Henry place, in Henderson county, by Rev. Joseph Jordan. The year following he entered the ministry, preaching his first sermon at Crab Creek Church, and soon after was ordained to the ministry at the old Baptist Camp Ground, two miles south west of what is now Hendersonville. In the second year of His ministry, 1837, assisted in the organization of Little River Baptist church. In 1841 moved to Gilmer county, Ga., thence to Union county, Ga. In 1843 returned to North Carolina, settling on a part of his old home place. In 1845 assisted in the organization of the Hendersonville Baptist church, and assisted in the organization of many other churches in Western North Carolina. He was Clerk of the Superior Court of Henderson county for several years. Published "The Carolina Baptist" in 1857. Assisted in founding and building Judson College. While not a politician, he was a republican, and was elected representative for Henderson county in 1866 and State Senate for the district including Henderson county in 1868 and was elected Representative of Henderson county again in 1873; removed to Saluda, Polk county and was elected Representative of that county in 1881. He was a close student of the Bible and an enthusiastic speaker. Preached throughout Western N. C., and upper South Carolina, preaching his last sermon sitting in a chair in the Saluda Baptist church in the year 1895, being the first sermon preached in the last church organized by him. In 1890 he married Martha Williams, who survives him. He died December 14th, 1897, and was buried in Refuge cemetery. His funeral sermon, preached by Rev. A. I. Justice, was from a text selected by himself, "I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith."

"He sought no private sect or way, but looked to Nature and to Nature's God." And to his Memory this article is most affectionately written.

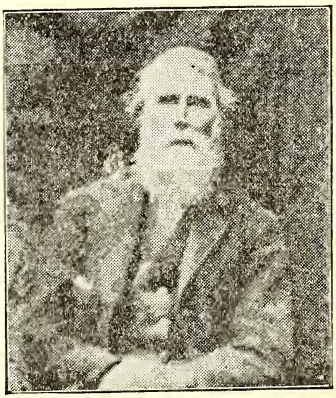
Rev. W. J. Wilkie.

The Bible, our only sufficient guide from earth to heaven, is full of a glorious truth, namely that if we train up our

children in the fear of God, the permanent effect will be that though a providently prolonged because of obedient life, they will not, nay, restrained and strenghtened by Divine grace, they cannot depart from it

Scattered over the counties of Rutherford and Henderson, are a large family—mostly Christains—who are an honor to the community in which they live, in many cases the principal supporters of the churches they attend. We have rested and been entertained at several of their excellent homes, cheered in our work of faith and labor of love—and really surprised at the far advanced and yet liberal thought, common even to daily practical uses.

The family we refer especially to, are the honest descendants of Joab and George Wilkie—brethren in the flesh as they were in Christ, warriors for the truth of no mean renown, they were old time, aggressive Baptist preachers. They each labored long and successfully up and down this beautiful skyland section, gathering in an harvest of



REV. W. J. WILKIE.

souls, all of which in the great day, shall be in their crown of rejoicing, while these spiritual trophies of battles fought, with their descendants, vividly illustrates the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ who, though He was rich, for our sakes became poor, that we through His poverty might be made rich.

But we here hasten to Joab's son William Job Wilkie born in Rutherford county and died in 1891 at Hooper's Creek, Henderson county, full of faith and the Holy Ghost.

Long ago at Shiloh Church, Rutherford county, he professed faith in the Lord Jesus Christ, at the age of 18. About 4 years after at the same place he was set apart by a presbytery to special work as pastor etc., and for full forty years labored until he slept, awaiting the resurrection of the just, full of honor at 52 years of age.

His long and prosperous chronicle of labor, will be found in the

local traditions of Rutherford, Polk, Henderson, Buncombe and McDowell counties etc., where are many churches, (some wholly founded by him,) that gathered inspiration and durability by his wise builder-ship. His methods were evenly divided betwixt pastoral, moderator-ship and evangelical methods many-sided and beautiful illustrating as evergreen, the whole year round, and through the fruits of the spirit, which is love.

His pastoral work can be seen in Broad River, Mount Moriah, Long Hollow, Fairview, Crooked Creek, Bear Wallow and the two Salems. His wise counsel, New Testament doctrine, wonderful sympathy faithful discipline, in all of which he declared faithfully the whole counsel of God.

A notable phase was his persistency. Wind and weather did not prevent his prompt appearance at almost every appointment, the mean forced travel, self denial, absence from home and some persecution, yet well and nobly done was his often humble, out-of-sight toil. Others might hold back when the sky was dark—and the rain heavy —but his cheerful song in the house of his pilgrimage—heard by many —has wooed and won quite an army to be on the Lord's side.

More than a thousand have been buried by him in baptism, many of whom are now with Christ, but many are now battling with temptation, and will meet him joyfully where sin and sorrow are past and gone. Fraternally,

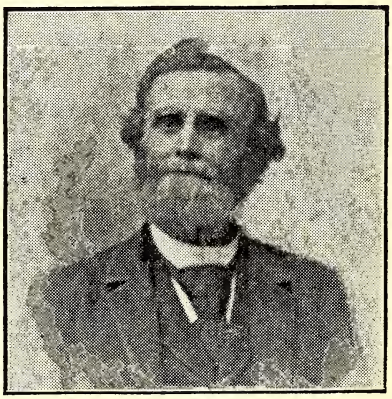
WILLIAM WARD.

Rev. D. B. Nelson,

Reverend Daniel B. Nelson was a native of Tennessee, having been born at Knoxville, in that State, in the year 1831. He obtained an education at Mossey Creek college, and in the year 1851 married Miss Sarah Vance, of Strawberry Plains, Jefferson county, Tenn., at which place he resided until the beginning of the war of '61. In 1864 he came to Western North Carolina to take charge of the Confederate government's saltpeter works and at the close of hostilities in 1865, moved his family to this State, locating on Pigeon River, in Haywood county, where for a time he was engaged in the conduct of the district school. His intervals of business had been devoted to the study of the law, his intention at that time being to adopt that profession as a life work, but possessing very strong natural religious tendencies he finally gave himself to the work of the ministry in which capacity he labored with marked success until his death, which occured at his home on French Broad river, in Henderson county, August 28th, 1895, at the age of 64 years.

Although well qualified by natural endowments and education to assume the duties of his calling in more pretentious fields, his love was given to the people of Western Carolina, no outside inducement ever having been offered strong enough to alienate this devotion, and it is safe to say that no one ever possessed, to a greater extent, the confidence and esteem of the Mountain Baptists.

His abilities in the ministry were varied, and received befitting recognition at the hands of his church and people. As an organizer he had few superiors, and this led to his appointment as Sunday-school Missionary, which position he held for a period of ten years. As an



REV. D. B. NELSON.

authority in parliamentary practice, he was chosen president of the Western Baptist Convention for quite a number of consecutive terms. As a writer of pleasing facility and a reasoner of strong and safe convictions, he was for a number of years editor of the organ of the Western Convention—the "Blue Ridge Baptist," published at Hendersonville and afterwards the "Western North Carolina Baptist, at Asheville. As pastor, he served the church at Hendersonville for six years and for several years was pastor of Fern Hill church, at Biltmore.

He was a zealous Mason. He was elected Master of the Biltmore lodge at its organization, and instituted the first lodge ever organized in Haywood county. He had also held the office of Grand Lecturer and Grand Chaplain of the grand lodge of North Carolina.

He was an ardent prohibitionist, and was a candidate for State Auditor on the Prohibition ticket in 1892.

He was in all respects an excellent man, one whom men knew but to love.

NOTE.—The publication of the minutes was delayed more than a month with the hope of getting cuts of Rev. J. W. Anderson and Rev. James Blythe, but no photograph of either could be found.

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CAROLINA BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

—HELD WITH THE—

Fruitland Baptist Church, August 9, 10 and 11, 1900.

Compiled by J. M. Justice, Clerk, Hendersonville, N. C.

OFFICERS:

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ORDAINED MINISTERS.

J. L. Brookshier, Flat Rock.
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J. J. Gray, Bowman's Bluff.
L. C. Hamilton, "
W. A. Morris, "
G. S. Jones, Hendersonville.
J. L. McCarson, "
W. L. Richards, "
R. M. Gilbert, Dimsdale.
R. F. Hamilton, Osteen.
F. C. Hamrick, Pump.
J. R. Heatherly, Saluda.
R. T. Jones, "
W. L. Kuykendall, "
H. P. Patton, "
J. R. Jones, Saluda.
M. M. Staton, "
Richard Hudgins, Bat Cave.
W. S. Huntley, Bear Wallow.
W B Johnson, Grandeur S. C.
Robert Springfield, "
W. H. Jones, Dana.
J. J. Justice, Blue Ridge.
J. G. Stepp, "
A. I. Justice, Fruitland.
P. A. Kuykendall, Zirconia.
G. K. Moore, Gypsey.
J. S. Staton, Zirconia.
J. A. Staton, "

The next session of the Carolina Baptist Association will be held with the Beulah Baptist Church, beginning on Thursday, before the Second Sunday in August, 1901. Rev. A. I. Justice will preach the Introductory Sermon at 11 a. m.; J. L. Brookshier, alternate.

PROCEEDINGS.

FRUITLAND BAPTIST CHURCH,
Henderson County. N. C.,
Thursday, Aug. 9, 1900.

The Carolina Baptist Association met this day in its twenty-fourth annual session with Fruitland Baptist Church at 11 o'clock a. m., and was called to order by the Moderator, Rev. A. I. Justice.

The Introductory Sermon was then preached by Rev. W. L. Richards from the text: "Another parable spake He unto them; the kingdom of heaven is like unto leaven which a woman took and hid in three measures of meal, till the whole was leavened.—Mat. 13:33.

Prayer by Rev. John E. White, followed with singing.

Moved and seconded that the work of organization be deferred until the afternoon session. Carried. Adjourned to 1:30. Benediction by Rev. A. I. Justice.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Reassembled at 1:30 p. m. by singing. Reading and prayer by Rev. T. C. King.

Rev. T. C. King was called to act as clerk pro tem.

The Moderator appointed brethren A. B. Freeman and F. A. Brown to act as reading clerks.

The following churches presented letters and delegates were enrolled as follows.

Bethel—Luther Bruce and and Luther Pace.

Beulah—L. C. Hamilton, J. J. Gray, W. A Morris, H. D. Drake, R. F. Orr, W. T. Drake. A. W. Fullam, B. F. Orr, Ed. Middleton and J. B. F. Revis.

Bear Wallow—T. M. Merrell, R. H. Wall and J. M. Sinclair.

Bat Cave—G. W. Conner, L. H. Freeman and W. S. Shitles.

Ebenezer—W. W. Bagwell, C. T. Brevard and C. T. Allen.

Fruitland—J. W. Freeman, S. J. Blythe, W. F. Powell, F. A. Brown, L. P. Pitillo, F. N. Griffin and J. S. Jackson.

Hooper's Creek—J. P. Wilkie, R. M. Prior, J. L. Bagwell and J. D. Garren.

Hendersonville—T. J. Shipman, Jones Barnett, G. S. Jones, W. L. Richards, A. B. Freeman, J. Williams, J. M. Waldrop, T. J. Rick-

man, O. V. F. Blythe and N. Buckner.

Liberty—J. O. Wall, J. W. Lyday and W. P. Maxwell.

Mountain Page—A. C Robertson, J. M. Bell, John Ward, Rev. J. Pace and J. R. Davis.

Mills River—S. C. Sitton, J. L. Whittaker, W. E. Field, Ellis Cairnes, Erskine Edmonston and Samuel Morgan.

Middle Fork—J. W. Wilson, F. J. Huntly and J. M. Wilson.

Locust Grove—A. J. McMinn, J. B. Middleton and E. W. Shipman.

Refuge—J. T. Pace, T. S. Marshall, G. N. Guice, J. P. Capps, B. A. Staton, R. P. Corn and P. T. Ward.

Holly Grove—S. D. Osteen, V. C. V. Hamilton, E. S. Smith and J. L. Rooker.

Salem—W. J. Baldwin, D. M. Tow, W. H. Young, J. M. Lance, C. S. Lance, J. R. Garren, J. R. Lance and D. A. Taylor.

Mt. Gilead—J. H. Hooper, C. E. Camfield, M. D. Barnett, G. C. Lance and J. S. Rhodes.

Broad River—T. B. Ledbetter.

Mountain Valley—T. E. Pace, N. Arledge, L. Newman, John McMurray and W. A. Henderson.

Macedonia—T. H. Williams, A. K. Hyder, B. W. E. Staton and A. M. Revis.

Mt. Moriah—H. P. Hill, Garfield Hart, N. S. Goode, W. M. Sinclair, Albert Williams and G. W. Ledbetter.

Saluda—John Johnson, J. I. Davis S. C. Staton.

Mt. Zion—J. E. Cox, J. W. Wilson and J. M. Williams.

Crab Creek—J. L. Evans, J. J. Osteen, J. O. Rhodes and Elisha Osteen.

Green River—J. B. F. Pace, W. F. Pace, J. R. Staton, J. L. L. Pace and J. V. Pace.

Moved and seconded that visiting brethren of churches be recognized as delegates. Carried.

J. S. Rhodes and L. H. Freeman were appointed tellers and the Association went into the election of officers for the ensuing year with the following result: Rev. W. B. Johnston, Moderator; J. M. Justice, Clerk; W. J. Baldwin, Treasurer; and F. A. Brown, Historian.

After taking the chair and making a few pointed remarks, the following committees were appointed:

SUNDAY SCHOOLS—G. S. Jones, J. S. Rhodes and A. T. Hart.

OBITUARIES—L H: Freeman, W. E. Field and S. D. Osteen.

STATE OF RELIGION—F. A. Brown, A. I. Justice and O. B. Kelly.

UNION MEETINGS—A. B. Freeman, W. H. Jones, W. J. Baldwin and L. H. Freeman.

FINANCE—R. M. Prior, J. I. Davis and J. W. Freeman.

PLACE—J. L. Whittaker, A. J. McMinn and T. H. Williams.

EDUCATION—W. F. Powell, W. L. Richards and O. V. F. Blythe.

STATE MISSIONS—A. I. Justice, J. B. Wall and J. M. Lance.

HOME MISSIONS—G. S. Jones, J. W. Wilson and W. L. Richards.

PERIODICALS—G. W. Connor, S. J. Blythe and Elisha Osteen,

ORPHANAGE—T. C. King, R. Huggins and A. B. Freeman.

TEMPERANCE—O. V F. Blythe, L. H. Freeman and W. B. Williams.

RELIGIOUS EXERCISES—Pastor and Deacons of Fruitland Baptist Church.

Moved and seconded that the programme, as suggested by A. I. Justice, be adopted for Friday. Carried.

Moved and seconded that the question of State Missions be brought up at the evening session, at 9:30 p. m. Carried.

Adjourned to 9 a. m. by singing Doxology.

At the evening session the following amounts were raised for State Missions, after that subject had been ably presented by Secretary Jno. E. White:

Hendersonville	$ 25 00
Refuge	5 00
Liberty	2 50
Mt. Moriah	2 00
Oak Grove	2 50
Pleasant Pill	2 50
Bear Wallow	2 50
Bat Cave	5 00
Saluda	10 00
Bethel	2 00
Beulah	2 00
Broad River	2 50
Ebenezer	2 50
Fruitland	15 00
Hooper's Creek	5 00
Mountain Page	2 00
Mud Creek	2 00
Mills River	10 00
Middle Fork	2 00
Salem	5 00
Locust Grove	2 00
Macedonia	2 00
Mt. Zion	2 00
Mt. Gillead	5 00

The association was pleased to recognize Rev. O. L. Stringfield to which he responded with a few happy remarks.

Adjourned.

SECOND DAY, FRIDAY

Association convened at 9 a. m. Devotional exercises by Moderator Johnson. Prayer by Rev. W. S. Huntly.

After the Association had been called to order, it was moved and seconded that the question of State Missions be brought up immediately after noon. Carried.

The door of the Association was opened and the following churches reported:

Green River and Mt. Moriah.

The following querry, which was found in the letter of Middle Fork church was by motion referred to the Temperence committee: What is a church to do with members holding positions as store-keepers and guagers?

Moved and seconded that the delegates of the Bat Cave church be received and given a few days longer to prepare its letter and report. Carried.

The following committee which was neglected to have been appointed first day was then named, as follows: L. H. Freeman, G. S. Jones and W. S. Huntley, on Nominations.

The audience then, after singing "Jesus Lover of My Soul," listened with great interest to Secretary John E. White on the subject of The Dead Past Burying Its Dead.

"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" was sung by the congregation and then Rev. W. L. Richards addressed the audience on the question: "What should be the Spiritual aim of our Denomination for the Century to come?"

Adjourned for one hour.

AFTERNOON SESSION, SECOND DAY.

Association convened by singing, after which Rev. G. S. Jones spoke from the subject; "The Influence of the Pastor in Missions."

O. L. Stringfield then addressed the Association on "Education As a Factor In Our Denominational Progress."

The subject of State Missions was then taken up, and pledges were given by many other churches reported with those taken Thursday evening.

The churches were asked to give contributions to finish the Fruitland Institute building and equip it, with the following result.

Fruitland church,	$100.00	Mt. Zion,	2.00
Hendersonville,	100.00	Bat Cave,	5.00
Mills River,	25.00	Skyland Baptist,	1.00
Mt. Gillead	25.00	Rev. W. S. Huntley, (pd.)	1.00
Hooper's Creek,	5.00	Mrs. J. T. Justus,	1.00
Ebenezer,	10.00	W. B. Johnson, (pd.)	1.00
Liberty	5.00	S. B. Naney,	1.00
Green River,	5.00	G. W. Ledbetter,	1.00
Salem,	25.00	William St. Clair,	1.00
Bear Wallow,	2.00	D. G. Hart,	1.00
Saluda,	10.00		

Rev. W. L. Richards was given leave of absence for Saturday.

The report on education was read by W. F. Powell and discussed. Adjourned to 9:00 A. M. Saturday.

EVENING SESSION, SECOND DAY.

The B. Y. P. U. met with the Carolina Association August 10, 1900—Friday evening.

Welcome address by W. F. Powell, Response by J. M. Justice,

The meeting then went into the election of officers with the following results.

Prof. W. F. Powell, President,

J. M. Justice, Vice President,

Miss Lida Carter, Secretary and Treasurer.

An essay was then read by Miss Mary Brevard, followed by the report of the Mills River Union, read by W. E. Field.

Moved and seconded that some one be appointed in each church to organize a B. Y. P. U.—Carried.

Address by Rev. Wilkins, of Mars Hill.

It was moved and seconded that the B. Y. P. U's send a representative for each ten members to the Association next year to be held at Beulah.—Carried.

Adjourned.

THIRD DAY, SATURDAY.

Association convened by singing "Leaning on the Everlasting Arm."
Reading by Moderator—W. B. Johnson.
Prayer by Rev. O. L. Springfield.
Singing—"Blessed Assurance."

The subject of education was brought up and W. F. Powell and A. I. Justice spoke on it.

Moved and seconded that the report on education be adopted.—Carried.

The following gentlemen gave the amounts opposite their names to Mr. Wolfe to go to school at Fruitland.

S. J. Blythe,	$5.00
R. M. Prior	5.00
R. Locust Grove Church,	5.00
Fruitland B. Y. P. U.	5.00
G. S. Jones,	5.00

Committees on Boards to fill vacancies on Board of Trustees of Fruitland Institute Z. V. Brevard, W. A. Smith, C. F. Toms, J. Williams and A. T. Hart. Associational Rep. on board of State Convention, T. J. Rickman. Moved and seconded that the report be adopted —Carried.

The report on Home Missions was then adopted, which is as follows:

HOME MISSIONS.

The Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention at Atlanta, Ga., whose field embraces the Southern States, Indian Territory, Cuba, Porto Rico and parts of Mexico, has been instrumental in adding to the hosts of our baptist brotherhood nearly twenty thousand members, through the Heaven favored efforts of about four hundred active missionaries. This great work has met an increased generous response from thousands who have regarded it as a special privilege to give aid to the Lord's cause in this the closing year of the 19th Century.

Chapels are dotting the land. Academies and schools now greet the eye on every hand. As the heart-cheering results of the union between converted hearts, cultivated heads and consecrated money. Thus, as never before in the history of our people, is seen the gratifying acknowledgement that the gospel of Jesus Christ, demands, yea, claims rightful possession of the whole man, blessing and making a blessing of, all renewed in heart,

And now we stand at the gateway of a new century, with strengthened purposes, to plow deeper, to sow more bountifully, and in time to gather richer harvests in the Master's Vineyard.

By reference to the reports of our Southern Baptist Convention in more recent years we find that special attention has been invited to what is known as the great mountain belt of the South as being the most hopeful field in which to deposit and cultivate seeds of Bible Truth. This is the home of native mother wit, firm convictions, sturdy manhood and the best type of womanhood—just such material as most readily conforms to the processes of developement in school enterprises and hopeful church work. More workers—better prepared are seeking the field and a cheerful outlook lies all along the horizon. May a noble part be borne by this associational body in each of these mission fields.

J. W. WILSON
For Com.

Moved and seconded that the report be adopted.—Carried.
The report on the orphanage was then read and discussed

THOMASVILLE ORPHANAGE.

If the Lord's great heart is in sympathy with one class of persons more than another, it is with Widows and Orphans. It was Job who complimented himself that he had made the "widows heart sing for joy." 'Twas God himself who first wrote it on the human heart to help the helpless. 'Twas He who wrote in His book for all time: "Blessed is he that considereth the poor." In the last message from the Throne of God may be found: "Pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father is this, to visit the fatherless, (orphans) and widdows in their affliction and to keep himself unspotted from the world."

With this great thought of God in our hearts, we are now taking care of nearly two hundred orphan childred at our orphanage.

Yes, two hundred, say, but O! the number who are now asking us to give them good and motherly training! O, that God may help us to answer their request. Let us double our contributions to this blessed work, that Bro. Boone, our manager, may invite twice the number to come and be warmed and filled. We have plenty of food, let us send it. Always remembering that the orphanage is a greater blessing to us than we are to it.

Resolved, That we recommend to the churches to take a collection in their Sunday-school, once a month for the benefit of the Orphanage.

Respectfully submitted

T. C. KING,
A. B. FREEMAN,
S. D. OSTEEN.
Committee.

Moved and seconded that it be adopted. Under discussion it was moved and seconded that each church take a collection one Sunday in each month for the Orphanage.—Carried.

The report on temperance was then read, to wit;

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

The committee on Temperance reported as follows:

It is said by some that liquor "is a good thing in its place" but in the opinion of your committee it has no place in our country. We should war against this great monster and the evils attending it, praying ever that the cause may be removed, which done, can bring about the conditions desired. We are sorry to say that we do not think that temperance is making the progress to be desired. Yet we are glad to be able to say that the revenue officers, as we think, have, for a while at least, been doing their duty faithfully as regards breaking up blockaders in our midst. But reformation must begin in the churches. Brethren, we should awake to the realization of the duties incumbent upon us and put fourth every effort possible for the rescue of our boys and girls, from the blighting effects of sin in all its forms. Therefore we, your committee, recommend that this body, at its present session, pass a resolution that we will not hold in fellowship any church that holds members in its body in fellowship, who make, sell or drink intoxicating liquors, as a beverage.

In Answer to the querry from Middle Fork church which has been

referred to your committee, we recommend that no church retain in its fellowship a member who engages in the business of store keeping, or guaging, in a government distillery.

L. H. FREEMAN.
For Committee.

Report discussed.
Moved and seconded that the report be adopted.—Carried.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

Instead of education being a mere process for the acquirement of a mass of facts, it is the means the end of which is not only an assimilation but a production of ideas. Education is development. It is an increased ability to FEEL, to WILL and to KNOW. It is the expansion and growth of the human soul.

Never have our opportunities been more golden. Never has the necessity for education been so great. The complex needs of our civilization demand that our boys and girls be taught to think for themselves. On this the civic life and the advancement of our State depend. The time has come when intellegence must rule more absolutely; for it is the safeguard of liberty. And unless our boys and girls be educated, they will be unable to hold their own amidst the new population coming into our State because of our industrial development. Now, must our boys take a back seat in the land of their heritage? Must our girls wear the blush of ignorance in the homes they so richly deserve to illumine with grace and intellignice? These are questions that must be answered by the fathers and mothers of today, and they must be answered now.

In behalf of our civilization and christianity our young people must have the advantage of christian education. Our State is no longer free from those temptations incident to large cities or an industrial population. And we must prepare the children of today to stand firmly, heeding the dictates of an enlightened conscience, or by neglect, they will fall the victims of ignorance, or a one-sided education.

May the parents throughout our Association see their mission and hasten to fill it.

Among the many schools of Western North Carolina, this committee feels that for preparetory schools it can recommend no better than Fruitland Institute, the school of this Association, and the other Associational high schools throughout our part of the State. And for colleges, we most earnestly solicit the interest of our people in behalf of Wake Forest College and the Baptist Female University.

Respectfully,

W. F. POWELL,
WM. L. RICHARDS,
O. V. F. BLYTHE,
Committee.

After singing "Where is My Wandering Boy Tonight," sung by the choir, moved and seconded that Sunday School be taken up first afternoon.—Carried.

Adjourned for one hour.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Association convened by singing "Jesus Saves."

Report on Sunday schools was read and discussed. Moved and seconded that the report be adopted. Discussed by Rev. B. W. Spillman. Adopted.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

In this field of Christian work, the prospect is pleasing, indeed. We need no exhortation as to the desirableness of bible study on the Sabbath day. We are glad to know that nearly two thousand attendants are now enrolled, embracing a goodly number of our older church members. Eighty per cent of recent additions to our churches, are from the Sunday School ranks. Cabins are giving place to better and more comfortable meeting houses. Five or six new buildings are in process of construction, thus meeting a growing demand for more room in which to unite the joys of Sabbath worship with the pleasures of teaching the bright-faced youth of our mountain homes.

We recommend the appointment of a committee whose duty it shall be to arrange for and conduct Sunday School meetings quarterly and to hold an annual convention of Superintendents and Teachers the same to be held in connection with the Union meetings in each district of the Association. We trust the ensuing year will mark a decided advance in persevering efforts to find out more fully the purpose of our blessed Lord in calling us into this hopeful department of christian activities.

G. S. JONES.
For Committee.

Report on Union Meetings was read. Moved and seconded that the report be adopted. Carried.

REPORT ON UNION MEETINGS.

We, your committee on Union Meetings, beg leave to make the following report:

We find, by reference to last year's minutes, that this Association was divided into four sections, with a supervisor appointed by this Association for each section.

On investigation we find that these brethren, with the exception of Bro. A. T. Hart, have done absolutely nothing toward holding Union meetings. And the result is we have only had a very few meetings within the bounds of this Association during the last year.

Your committee would recommend that these sections be consolidated and that Rev. G. S. Jones be asked to take charge of this special work, with power to call meetings at such times and places as he may wish; prepare suitable programmes for each meeting and that he have general supervision of this line of work.

We suggest that these meetings be held in connection with the Sunday School conventions. We would urge the pastors and Sunday School superintendents within the bounds of this association, to give him their united support, as we believe great good can be accomplished for our Master in this work.

Respectfully submitted,

A. B. FREEMAN,
W. H. JONES,
W. J. BALDWIN,
L. H. FREEMAN,
Committee.

Report on Foreign Missions read, and the following pledges taken:

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Your committee, to whom was referred the subject of Foreign Missions, beg to say that this subject is pressing itself upon us at this time as never before.

In the acquisition of new territory by our government, broad and fertile fields for mission work have been thrown open, and beyond the war clouds now hanging over South Africa and China may be seen the dawn of an opportunity, such as the christian world has never had. Shall we shrink from these opportunities, or rather shall we not joyfully accept these great responsibilities, remembering that we are obeying the great command of the Saviour. "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature."

Respectfully Submitted,

F. A. BROWN,
W. H. JONES,
J. P. CAPPS,
Committee.

PLEDGES.

Ebenezer,	$ 2 00	Bear Wallow,	2 50
Fruitland,	10 00	Mt. Moriah,	2 00
B.Y.P.U.of Fruitland Ch.	5 00	Saluda,	5 00
Hooper's Creek.	5 00	Bat Cave,	5 00
Hendersonville,	12 00	Mt. Gilead,	5 00
Mountain Page,	2 00	Macedonia,	2 00
Mills River,	10 00	Mt. Zion,	2 00
Middle Fork,	2 00	Locust Grove,	2 00
Salem,	5 00		

Moved and seconded that the report on Foreign Missions be adopted, Carried.

Moved and seconded that the Mt. Zion church, with its delegates, be received into the Carolina Association. Carried.

The report on Periodicals was read and adopted.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

It is better not to know so much, as to know so many things that are not true. Errors accepted in childhood become articles of faith and are not easily gotten rid of. The proper study of mankind is man and the mind. The growth of the latter is fashioned after the kind of literature that we read. And the future of this country greatly depends upon the periodicals that we furnish our children to read.

Religious papers and other literature is so cheap, now, that those who refuse to furnish these necessaries for their souls and their families are guilty of a sin whose far reaching consequences you may well dread. We therefore recommend the "Biblical Recorder," "North Carolina Baptist," "Skyland Baptist," "Charity and Children" and "Foreign Mission Journal," as the very best papers of the land.

Respectfully.

G. W. CONNER,
S. J. BLYTHE,
ELISHA OSTEEN,
Committee.

The committee on obituaries was read and adopted.

REPORT ON OBITUARIES.

Reports from churches within the bounds of our Association, indicate that there has been thirty-nine (39) deaths since last association. We find that the total membership of the churches that delegated to the association last year is 3070. We see from this that about an hundredth part of our members have passed away.

At last session this body was called upon to record the death of our beloved brother, Rev. J. Wesley Anderson. Now it becomes our painful duty to record the death of Rev. Adam Corn. In the death of brother Corn, this Association and the Transylvania Association have sustained a great loss.

Brother Corn was not a member of this body, but he was well known throughout Western North Carolina as a man of great force, a true Baptist in every sense, an earnest and faithful worker in the cause of his Master. We will miss his wise counsel and generous acts. But our loss is his eternal gain. He was a pioneer in our work.

Respectfully Submitted,

L. H. FREEMAN,
W. E. FIELD,
A. T. HART,
Committee.

The following names were submitted to organize Unions in the different churches:

Mountain page, R. W. I. Pace; Mt. Zion, J. C. Cox; Saluda, Robt. Jones; Mt. Moriah, A. T. Hart; Bear Wallow, T. M. Merrell; Crab Creek, Elisha Osteen; Ebenezer, J. E. Shipman; Green River, J. L. L. Pace; Salem, W. J. Baldwin; Hooper's Creek, R. M. Prior; Holly Springs, S D. Osteen; Macedonia, T. S. Williams; Liberty, W. P. Maxwell; Locust Grove, A. T. McMinn; Bethel, John T. Johnson; Beuleh, W. T. Drake; Mt. Gilead, J. S. Rhodes and J. S. Camfield; Broad River, M. S. Scearey; Bat Cave, W. S. Shittles; Mud Creek, P. M. Jones; Middle Fork, J. W. Wilson; Oak Grove, W. P. Kuykendall; River Side, W. B. Case.

The Report on State of Religion was read and adopted.

REPORT ON STATE OF RELIGION.

It gives your committee, on State of Churches, pleasure to report the addition of 118 members to the church by baptism. We note that only one or two churches report weekly prayer meetings and only four B. Y. P. U., and quite a number report no Sunday Schools. It is needless, too, for us to speak of the importance of these auxiliaries to church work, but urge that the churches give more attention to these branches of the work.

F. A. BROWN, Chairman.

The finance committee reported $20. 36 as a minute fund.

REPORT ON FINANCE.

Your Committee on finance collected from the various churches for printing the minutes, $20.36.

Respectfully Submitted,

R. M. PRYOR,
J. I. DAVIS,
JAY. W. FREEMAN,
Committee.

Treasurers report was then read and adopted.

TREASURERS REPORT FOR 1899.

Received from:-

Broad River—For foreign missions, $2.56; for State missions, $2.50.
Bear Wallow—For foreign Missions, $5.92.
Mt. Moriah—For foreign missions, $2.50; for Orphanage, $2.50.
Ebenezer—For foreign missions, $2.00.
Mt. Page—For home missions, $1.95.
Refuge—Foreign missions, $1.42.
Macedonia—Foreign missions, $1,15.
Green River—Foreign missions, $1.00.
Oak Grove—Foreign missions, $2.00.
Salem—State missions, 65c.
Middle Fork—Foreign missions, $1.30; home missions, 87c; Mrs. S. M. Morgan, Orphanage, 25c; Orphanage 53c.
Hooper's Creek—Foreign missions, $2.55.
Liberty—Foreign missions, 62c.
Green Mt.—Foreign missions, $1.70; State missions, $5.00; Orphanage, $2.18.
General collection, State missions, $3.57.

Total Amount.....$44.72.

W. J. BALDWIN,
Treasurer.

REPORT OF WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION AUXILLIARY.

Woman's Missionary Union Auxilliary to the Carolina Association convened with the Woman's Missionary Society of Fruitland Baptist church, August 10th, 1900.

Devotional exercises opened by singing "When the Roll is Called Up Yonder."

Scripture reading from Psalms, 8th chapter, by Vice President, Miss Carter.

Prayer by President of Fruitland Society—Mrs. S. J. Blythe.
Address of welcome—Miss May Justice.
Response—Mrs. Begg, Hendersonville.
Report of delegates as follows.

Fruitland—Mrs. Z. V. Brevard, Mrs. J. W. Freeman and Mrs. Jno. Jackson.
Hendersonville—Mrs. Begg, Mrs. Garland, Mrs. Dotson, Mrs. Waldrop, Mrs. Brooks, Mrs. Wilson, Mrs Smith, Mrs. Smathers, Misses Johnson and Powell.
Mt. Gilead—Miss Lyda Carter.
Pleasant Hill—Miss Nora Wilkie.
Mills River—Misses Whittaker and Underwood.
Song—"The Master Wants Workers."
Society Reports—Foreign Missions.....$63.75
Home Missions..... 23.10
State Missions..... 13.50
Self Denial..... 21.00

Total.....$121.35

Song—"The Master Stood in His Garden"—Mrs. Brooks and Mrs. Garland, Hendersonville.

Leaflet—"Christianity's Crime."—Mrs. Garland, Hendersonville.
Duet—Misses Mary Brevard and Minnie Justice of Fruitland.
Prayer—Mrs. Garland, Hendersonville.
Rec.—Misses Whitaker and Underwood, Mills River.
Song—"Jesus Saves."
Dismissed by Mrs Begg, Hendersonville, until 2 p m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Song—"Bringing in the Sheaves."
Scripture Reading, from Matthew, 10th chapter, by Mrs. Blythe, Fruitland.
Prayer—Vice president, Miss Carter.
Essay—"Why should we have a Woman's Missionary Society?" Miss Mary Brevard, Fruitland.
Recitation—Miss Rosa Jackson, Fruitland.
Essay—"How to make an Interesting Society," Miss Powell, Hendersonville.
Song—"Who will be the next to follow Jesus."
Leaflet—"Who must train the Children," Mrs. Brooks, Hendersonville.
Motion—That the Societies appropriate fund to purchase a circulating Library. Carried.
Rev. A. I. Justice asked the women of the Association to raise funds to purchase a piano for Fruitland Institute.
By motion Brother Justice was appointed to confer with the ladies of the Associational churches.
A discussion of Resolution No. 5, Foreign Mission Board to Womans Missionary Union, that the Societies of this Association support a a native worker as an extra offering to Foreign Missions.
Opened by Miss May Justice, Fruitland, followed by interesting remarks from others.
Resolved, that we are unable at present, but will endeavor to enlarge our forces that we may be able to do so.
Explanation of Prayer Legion by Vice President, Miss Carter. Distribution of cards.
Hymn,—"God be With You." Dismissed by Miss Mary E. Brevard, Fruitland.

MISS LYDA CARTER, Pres.,
(MISS) MARY E. BREVARD, Sec.,

REPORT ON VACANCIES.

The following report was read and adopted:

Recommend to fill vacancies on Board of Trustees of Fruitland Institute. Z. V. Brevard, W. A. Smith, C. F. Toms, J. Williams, and A. T. Hart.

Associational representative on the Boards of the State Convention. T. J. Rickman.

STATE MISSIONS.

From the beginning of their history in North Carolina the Baptists have been characterized by a zealous desire to give the gospel to the people in destitute and neglected sections of the State. This is what we call State Missions. Under God this work has been a mighty agency in establishing our Baptist cause and in building a great de-

nomination for the work of God and his truth in the world. From a few scattered churches and a membership of less than 15000 we have grown to be a host—with more than 2500 churches, white and colored and a membership of 325,000—more than all other denominations combined in North Carolina. This wonderful progress has been achieved during the past seventy years.

State Missions has been and is still our chief rallying cause. It is fundamental. As it prospers—and churches are instituted—Sunday schools organized and missionaries maintained in destitute regions, Foreign Missions and education will be advanced. Your committee is glad to report that the State Mission work of North Carolina Baptists is in splendid condition. Our Board is maintaining this year ninety-two missionaries and is appealing to the churches for $20,000 for their support.

Your committee would especially emphasize the fact that our cause in Western North Carolina depends for its success and advancement, next to the power and blessing of God, and the Board of Missions and Sunday schools. Thus the co-operation of our State Board with our Home Mission Board of Atlanta, six High Schools and Academies are established and are being assisted. Our own school at Fruitland is one of the schools receiving appropriation.

We appeal to every church in our Association to take a stand in the line of contributing churches for this cause. God is giving us great opportunities—and there are great responsibilities laid on every church—if it be indeed a church of the Lord Jesus Christ. Will the messengers of any church in this body be willing to go home without having placed himself and as far as possible his church on record here for the great cause of State Missions, which means so much to our Masters Kingdom here at home and in the uttermost part of the earth.

Respectfully submitted,

A. I. JUSTICE,
J. M. LANCE,
J. O. WALL.

Moved and seconded that the Clerk be instructed to have an advertisement for Fruitland school on back of Minutes. Carried.

The following report on time and place was adopted: "The next session of the Carolina Baptist Association will be held with the Beulah Baptist Church, beginning on Thursday, before the Second Sunday in August, 1901. Rev. A. I. Justice, will preach the Introductory Sermon at 11 a. m.; J. L. Brookshire, alternate.

J. L. WHITTAKER, Chm'n.

The following resolution was read and adopted: "Resolved, that this association extend to the good women of this church and community our thanks for their hospitality during the meeting of this Association."

Moved and seconded that the clerk superintend the printing and advertising and have whatever is left over after the work is done. Carried.

The congregation then sang: "Must Jesus Bear the Cross Alone," and adjourned.

Closing prayer by Rev. W. H. Jones.

Constitution.

ART. 1. This Association shall be known as the Carolina Baptist Association and shall be composed of such representatives as the churches constituting this body may select and send as delegates to its meetings, together with all ordained ministers who are members of said churches, and each church shall report by letter to each annual session the number of its membership, additions, and losses from whatever causes, with statistics, contributions, finances, etc.

Each church shall be entitled to three delegates and one additional delegate for each fifty members in excess of one hundred. and the name of no delegate shall appear in the minutes except such as are in actual attendance during the session of the body.

ART. 2. The organization of the body shall be preceded by the preaching of an introductory sermon and shall then be organized by the moderator of the former session, calling the body to order, and the enrolling of delegates from the various churches, who shall compose the body and proceed, by ballot, to the election of a Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer, and Historian, who shall hold their offices until their successors shall be elected at the opening of the next annual session.

ART. 3. The Association may adopt such rules of order as may from time to time be deemed advisable.

ART. 4. Any church holding the principles of the doctrines of Christ, and the ordinances of his house as accepted by missionary Baptist churches, may become a member by application at any regular session of the Association, and acceptance by a majority vote of the same.

ART. 5. A majority vote shall be sufficient to pass any motion, resolution or other action of the body, except to amend the Constitution, which shall only be done by a vote of two-thrids of the members for such amendment.

ART. 6. The Association may at any meeting withdraw from any church that abandons the principles of this organization.

ART. 7. This Association regards each Baptist church as an independent body and this organization as a co-operative body having for its object the furtherance of the cause of Christ, the betterment of humanity, and the enlightenment of mankind the world over, by the preaching of the gospel and the furtherance of christian education.

ART. 8. Any church in good standing in this association, may upon its own request be dismissed by letter from membership.

ART. 9. The Moderator shall appoint such committees as may be necessary for the transaction of the business and these shall report at such times as may be directed by the body.

ART. 10. The minutes of the previous day shall be read at the opening of each day and corrected if necessary, and approved, and the minutes of the entire session shall be read and approved previous to final adjournment.

ART. 11. No member shall absent himself from any session of the body, without leave of the same.

ART. 12. The Association shall, before its final adjournment, fix a time and place for the next annual meeting and select one of the ministers of the body to preach the introductory sermon.

ART. 13. This body shall at each annual session appoint an executive board of three efficient and active brethren, whose duty it shall be to advise and co-operate with the Board of State Missions in regard to supplying or aiding any fields within our bounds, in preaching the gospel or other such work as may be necessary.

ART. 14. That this Association shall at the present session appoint a Board of Trustees consisting of fifteen members, five of whom shall hold their office for twelve months, five for two years and five of them for three years. Terms of office of the first five members named on said committee shall expire at the end of one year from this session, and their places shall be filled by appointment of this body, and each session of this body shall fill the vacancies occuring by expiring terms, or from death, resignation or otherwise, at its regular annual meeting.

That said Board of Trustees shall constitute the Board of Education of the Carolina Association and shall be empowered to receive donations and hold property, both real and personal for educational purposes, to procure the necessary charters for educational institutions and that any legal action necessary for the advancement and interest of education in the bounds of this Association.

Said Board shall also take control, possession and the general supervision of all school property belonging to the Association, shall establish and direct the management of schools and report their proceedings and recommendations to each annual session of this body for ratification. Said body shall have no power to purchase property or contract debts, but by the authority of a two-thirds vote of the association at its annual meeting. The officers of said Board shall be a President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer and Executive board, whose duties shall be those usually performed by such officers and such further duties as the Board may designate. The said Board may fix time and place for meeting and adjournment, provided, nevertheless, that the President and three other members of the Board may call a meeting at such times, and places as the business of the same may require, and seven members present at any meeting shall be a quorum, for the transaction of business.

ART. 15. This body shall be governed by the rules of Mell's Parliamentary Practice.

ART. 16. This Constitution shall be printed in the minutes of each annual session of the Association.

S. S. STATISTICAL TABLE FOR 1900.

CHURCHES.	SUP'TS.	POST OFFICES	No. of Officers	No. of Scholars	Average	No. of Quarterlies and Papers Taken	School Expences	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Orphanage	S. S. Missions	Charity and Children	Other Objects
Bethel	W. B. Johnson	Grandeur, S. C.	4	64										
Bear Wallow	R. H. Wall	Pump, N. C.	7	72	30	30	$ 3 00	26		$ 2 00				
Bat Cave	G. W. Connor	Bear Wallow	6	79		51	12 00							
Broad River	W. B. Searcy	Broad River	7	66	50		2 25							
Crab Creek	J. L. Evans	Delmont	9	69	50	228	7 00							
Ebenezer	R. P. Corn	Hendersonville	7	75	45		7 50							
Fruitland	F. N. Griffin	Fruitland	8	97	56	75	12 00		$ 2 50		$ 5 00	$ 1 70		
Hooper's Creek	W. M. Maxwell	Fletcher	5	85	50	240	6 00				75			
Hendersonville	J. A. Maddrey	Hendersonville	12	150	96	350	28 02				24 11		$24 03	$ 1 49
Mt. Zion	E. R. Wilson	Maxwell	11	64		50	5 25	72			75			
Mt. Gillead	G. K. Moore	Gypsy	6	87	50		3 75							
Mountain Valley	Jas. Newman	Fish Top	3	45										
Mt. Moriah	A. T. Hart	Blueridge	4	72	34		7 10					3 36		
Macedonia	R. W. Fletcher	Saluda												
Mills River	S. C. Sitton	Sitton	5		40									
Mountain Page	J. W. Staton	Saluda	6	90	55		1 35							
Locust Grove	G. W. Cliningpeel	Fruitland	6	64	48									
Reedy Patch	M. P. Corn	Maxwell	5	47	20		1 03							
Refuge	P. T. Ward	Dana	8	83	60	275	7 00							
Salem	J. T. Sales	Fetcher	5	40	25	220	5 00							
Saluda	R. T. Jones	Saluda	4	76	20	24	8 50							176 00

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CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	CLERKS.	POST OFFICES	Baptized	Received by Letter.	Restored	Dismissed by Letter	Excluded	Erased	Males	Females	Total	Net Gain or Loss	Value of Property	Seating Capacity	No. of Biblical Recorders Taken	Pastors Salary
Bethel	R. F. Springfield	James T Johnson	Grandeur, S. C.	...	2	...	...	...	...	21	17	38	...	.....	.....	.....	.....
Beulah	W. A. Morris	W. T. Drake	Bowman's Bluff	9	3	...	44	1	...	84	146	230	...	$ 500	.....	.....	$ 24 00
Bear Wallow	T. C. King	G. S. Wall	Pump	...	3	1	12	1	...	26	36	62	...	.....	.....	.....	24 00
Bat Cave	T. C. King	W. S. Shitles	Bat Cave	1	4	1	15	7	...	28	41	69	...	1000	.....	.....	75 00
Broad River	J. L. Brookshire	M. L. Searcy	Broad River	...	14	..	11	...	...	41	78	119	12	.....	.....	.....	34 26
Crab Creek	W. A. Morris	Elisha Osteen	Osteen	3	1	...	32	...	...	76	90	166	...	400	.....	.....	25 00
Ebenezer	A. I. Justice	C. T. Allen	Hendersonville	...	...	...	1	...	...	29	44	73	...	2000	.....	.....	.....
Fruitland	A. I. Justice	J. L. Freeman	Fruitland	...	3	...	16	...	...	...	...	...	...	800	.....	3	100 00
Green River	R. F. Hamilton	J L L. Pace	Zirconia	...	...	1	10	...	...	34	41	75	...	300	300	.....	.....
Hooper's Creek	W. S. Huntly	R. M. Prior	Fletcher	...	6	...	7	...	...	35	57	92	1	700	240	.....	50 00
Hendersonville	W. A. Morris	S. D. Osteen	Osteen	...	9	...	4	...	1	21	36	57	...	300	.....	.....	20 00
Mt. Gillead	W. L. Richards	J. A. Maddery	Hendersonville	18	11	...	8	...	...	93	177	270	...	7000	600	.....	600 00
Liberty	A. I. Justice	J. S. Rhodes	Angeline	16	5	...	4	..	...	31	52	83	...	600	.....	.....	65 00
Locust Grove	.....	W. P. Maxwell	Maxwell	34	...	1	50	1	...	.....	.....	51	...	300	.....	.....	.....
Macedonia	W. H. Jones	A. J. McMinn	Fruitland	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....	25 00
Mountain Page	W. H. Jones	T. H. Williams	Saluda	20	3	1	1	...	...	30	41	71	...	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mills River	J. R. Rhodes	R. W. I. Pace	Saluda	...	6	6	4	2	...	120	167	287	...	.....	.....	.....	.....
Middle Fork	A. I. Justice	W. E. Field	Sitton	13	1	2	.....	1	1	46	75	121	4	300	250	2	75 00
Mt. Moriah	W. S. Huntley	W. F. Huntley	Bear Walllow	...	...	...	2	5	...	10	37	47	...	500	.....	.....	.....
Mt. Zion	J. L. Brookshire	G. W. Ledbetter	Edneyville	1	5	...	0	5	...	74	119	193	...	1600	.....	.....	50 00
Refuge	W. S. Huntley	J. E. Cox	Maxwell	...	8	...	...	...	...	25	25	50	...	.....	.....	.....	50 00
Salem	W. H. Jones	P. T. Ward	Dana	...	4	...	2	3	...	156	198	354	4	1500	600	.....	100 00
Saluda	T. C. King	W. J. Baldwin	Fletcher	...	1	...	1	1	1	82	97	179	13	800	250	1	85 00
Mountain Valley	T. B. Justice	R. T. Jones	Saluda	...	...	...	...	...	...	23	40	63	...	850	.....	.....	80 00
	W. H. Jones	T. E. Pace	Fish Top	...	11	12	1	...	11	27	37	64	...	100	.....	.....	50 00

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BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

HELD WITH

OLD SALEM CHURCH, HENDERSON CO.,

OCTOBER 19TH, 20TH AND 21ST, 1882.

COMPILED BY

D. STRADLEY, CLERK, HENDERSONVILLE, N. C.

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PREFACE.

The Salem Association at its last meeting, which assembled at Hominy church, in Buncombe county, on the 30th day of August, 1882, granted letters of dismission to all of its churches, advising them to organize an Association for each county, following the county lines as boundaries, and then adjourned sine die. Therefore messengers from churches within the limits of Henderson county met at Old Salem church on the 19th day of October, 1882, and organized the Henderson County Baptist Association, of North Carolina.

NAMES AND POSTOFFICES OF ORDAINED MINISTERS.

D. B. NELSON,	Hendersonville,	North	Carolina.
W. C. McCARTHY,	"	"	"
F. M. JORDAN,	"	"	"
G. S. JONES,	"	"	"
T. BRIGHT,	"	"	"
J. E. CARTER,	"	"	"

OFFICERS OF THE ASSOCIATION.

D. B. NELSON, Moderator,	Hendersonville,	N.	C.
D. STRADLEY, Clerk,	"	"	"
J. WILLIAMS, Treasurer,	"	"	"

The next meeting will be held with the church in Hendersonville, commencing on Thursday the 11th day of October, 1883. Rev. G. S. Jones will preach the Introductory Sermon.

PROCEEDINGS.

Salem Church, Friday Morning, Oct. 19th, 1882.

According to previous appointment, messengers from several churches met to organize a Baptist Association for Henderson county. After a sermon by Elder G. W. Beck, visitor from the Transylvania Association, on motion, Rev. D. B. Nelson was called to the chair, and D. Stradley requested to act as clerk. After the objects of the meeting were explained by the chairman, the assembly engaged in prayer for Divine guidance.

Letters from churches were then called for and letters from the following were read and their delegates enrolled, viz :

Hendersonville.—Elders D. B. Nelson and J. E. Carter, with brethren J. Williams, C. E. McCarthy, and D. Stradley.

Hooper's Creek.—Wm. Garren, Wm. Souther.

Mills River.—Wm. Rickman.

Salem.—John A. Gallamore, David Garren, J. T. Sales, R. T. Tow, C. H. Lance.

Refuge.—Thos. Gibbs, W. H. Pace, J. A. Staton.

Ebenezer.—J. H. Fletcher, E. J. Shipman.

Mud Creek.—J. D. Nelson.

Pleasant Hill.—Edward Nelson, Wm. Mince.

French Broad.—J. S. Rhodes, Thos. Jones.

Boilston.—J. J. Orr, A. W. Ledbetter.

Pleasant Grove.—T. M. Stewart.

An election was held for permanent officers, Elders W. W. Wells and E. J. Shipman acting as tellers, with the following result :

MODERATOR.—D. B. Nelson.	CLERK.—D. Stradley.
TREASURER.—J. Williams.	HISTORIAN.—J. E. Carter.

On motion the Constitution of the late Salem Association was adopted for the temporary government of this body. A committee was appointed to revise said Constitution, adapting it to the wants of this body and report at this session.

An invitation was given to messengers from sister Associations

which was accepted by Elders Wells and Beck of the Transylvania County Association.

The Moderator appointed the following committees:

Foreign Missions.—Elder J. E. Carter.

Home Missions.—J. T. Sales.

Education.—J. Williams.

Periodicals.—Thomas Gibbs.

Sunday Schools.—J. H. Fletcher.

Temperance.—J. J. Orr.

State of the Churches.—T. M. Stewart.

Finance.—J. P. Morgan.

Order of Business.—C. E. McCarthy, D. Stradley.

Preaching.—Pastor, Deacons and Delegates of Salem church.

Time, Place, &c.—Thomas Jones, E. J. Shipman, J. D. Nelson and W. H. Pace.

The body then adjourned to meet at 9:30 o'clock to-morrow. Prayer by J. E. Carter. Benediction by Moderator.

Friday Morning, Oct. 20th, 1882.

Association met according to adjournment, and spent half an hour in devotional exercises, led by Elder J. E. Carter.

At 10 o'clock, a. m., the minutes of yesterday were read, corrected and approved.

The invitation to visitors was repeated. Elder B. M. Bean, of the Transylvania Association reported, and was welcomed to a seat.

The committee on "Order of business" submitted the following:

"We recommend the "order of business" adopted by the Salem Association at its session of 1881. D. STRADLEY, C. E. MCCARTHY, } Com.

Report adopted.

The committee on Constitution submitted a report which was discussed article at a time and adopted. (*See Constitution.*)

The committee on Home Missions submitted the following which was adopted:

Your committee on Home Missions have to report that this is a new organization, and therefore, has had no missionary work in operation. This body occupies part of the territory covered by the late Salem and Transylvania Associations, neither of which had a missionary during the last year, therefore we have no mission work to report. But we would suggest that this body appoint one or more missionaries to visit every church in the county and solicit their aid and co-operation. Respectfully submitted.

J. T. SALES, Ch'm.

On motion, resolved to appoint a Home Mission Board, consisting of one member of each church represented here. J. E.

Carter, R. T. Tow, and Wm. Rickman were appointed to nominate said Board, and on motion the Moderator was added to the committee. The committe subsequently reported the following names and their report was adopted :

Hendersonville church.—W. A. Smith.
Hooper's Creek church.—James Garren.
Salem church.—J. T. Sales.
Mills River church.—S. C. Sitton.
Refuge church.—W. H. Pace.
Ebenezer church.—John Fletcher.
Mud Creek church.—J. D. Nelson.
Boilston church.—J. J. Orr.
French Broad church.—Rev. F. M. Jordan.
Pleasant Hill church.—Edward Nelson.
Pleasant Grove church.—W. R. Whitaker.

J. E. CARTER, Chairman.

Recess one hour.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The body was called to order by the Moderator.
The committee on Education submitted the following

REPORT ON EDUCATION :

We rejoice to be able to report that there is an increased interest manifested in the cause of education in our county. We are glad to report Judson College in a flourishing condition. It enrolled last year 160 students and the prospects for the present session are very encouraging. The interior of the building is completed and there is a debt of only about $2,200 resting upon it. This burden should be lifted, that the college may press forward in its career of usefulness. We would recommend that this Association assume the payment of five hundred dollars ($500) of the indebtedness. Last session we had at the College nine beneficiaries, young men of promise and acknowledged piety, who are almost entirely dependent on the churches for support.

Very respectfully submitted.

J. WILLIAMS.

Pending its adoption, stirring speeches were made by J. E. Carter and J. Williams. The sum of $395.00 was pledged to assist in relieving the College of debt, and the report was adopted.

REPORT ON FORLIGN MISSIONS.

"What are your orders ?" said a distinguished officer accustomed to command men, to a minister of the Gospel, who questioned him as to the hope of ever succeeding in getting the heathen to accept the Gospel. "Our orders are," said the preacher, "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature." "Well then," said the officer, "Obey your orders." Not until Jesus revokes the Great Commission will the responsibility of preaching the Gospel to the heathen nations of the earth be removed from us. While some may incline to be discouraged at what appears to be the slow progress of the Foreign Mission work, it takes only a careful survey of the question to demonstrate that there are more conversions in heathen lands in proportion to the

laborers engaged than there are in our home fields. In China there is but one missionary to every million of the inhabitants. How slowly would the work seem to progress in this country if we had only one preacher to every million of the citizens. We have a great deal to encourage us in the success of our missionaries in all parts of the heathen world. By this we should be stimulated to renewed efforts. God in His mysterious way, by His providential government of the world, is opening the doors of all nations to the missionaries of the cross. Every step in the complicated movements of the different nations of the earth, whether through war, or by peaceful diplomacy, seems to be opening the way for the success of the Gospel.

With all this before us, duty appears to be made doubly plain. God seems to be speaking LOUDLY to all those who are blessed with the Gospel of His Son to go forward with fresh courage. We all should do more for this cause. We should ACT as well as RESOLVE. As a means of better securing the co-operation of all our churches in the Foreign Mission work, we recommend that EACH CHURCH IN THIS ASSOCIATION HOLD A MEETING AT LEAST ONCE A YEAR IN BEHALF OF THE WORK, WHEN THEY SHALL RAISE A COLLECTION FOR THE SAME. We further recommend that they often make public prayers for the success of Foreign Missions.

JOSEPH E. CARTER, Com.

A lengthy speech was made by the writer of the report, after which it was adopted.

The committee on

TIME, PLACE, ETC.,

reported as follows:

TIME.—Thursday before the second Sabbath in October, 1883.
PLACE.—Baptist church in Hendersonville.
TO PREACH INTRODUCTORY SERMON.—Rev. G. S. Jones.

Respectfully submitted.

THOS. JONES,
J. D. NELSON,
E. J. SHIPMAN,
W. H. PACE. } Com.

Leave of absence for the balance of the session was granted to the following persons: Wm. Rickman, J. Williams, Joseph E. Carter, E. J. Shipman, D. Stradley, J. J. Orr, J. S. Rhodes and W. H. Pace. The Moderator appointed C. E. McCarthy to conduct the devotional exercises to-morrow morning. Adjourned with prayer and benediction by J. E. Carter.

Saturday Morning, Oct. 21st, 1882.

Prayer meeting conducted by C. E. McCarthy. The Secretary being absent, brother C. E. McCarthy was appointed clerk *pro tem.* Minutes of yesterday were read and approved. The committee on Periodicals submitted the following

REPORT ON PERIODICALS:

Your committee consider it of the utmost importance that the literature put into the hands of our members be of the right kind, for what people read has

much to do in forming their character. If what our members read be sound in doctrine and discipline, we may expect their principles and practices to be correct, but not otherwise.

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Respectfully submitted,

THOS. GIBBS.

Remarks by brethren Gibbs, Gallamore, McCarthy, Stewart, Bean and the editor. The order of business was suspended and time given the editor to procure subscribers. The report was then adopted. The hour of 11 o'clock having arrived, a very interesting and impressive sermon was delivered by Elder B. M. Bean, of Brevard. Text: 1 Peter, 4:3-4.

Leave of absence was granted brother C. E. McCarthy for the balance of the session. The Association took recess one hour.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Brother Thos. Gibbs was appointed clerk, *pro tem.*

The committee on Sunday schools was called and submitted the following

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS:

Your committee is pleased to be able to report that every church in Henderson county has had a Sunday school at least part of the time during the year. There are signs of progress in our schools. The greatest needs are more thorough organization and more hearty co-operation between the churches and the school. Very respectfully submitted,

J. H. FLETCHER.

A motion to adopt was discussed by J. Gallamore, T. M. Stewart and Elder B. M. Bean. The report was adopted. The following report was submitted:

TEMPERANCE.

This is a subject of no little importance. Thousands of our fellow beings are annually swept into drunkard's grave and the drunkard's hell. Yet comparatively little attention is given to this momentous subject. Men are found in almost every town, who with the sanction of law, are dealing out the accursed beverage, which destroys so many lives and sends so many souls to eternal ruin. When christians make an effort to check the traffic in strong drink there are men who for the sake of office, inflame the passions of the people, and drive many who would be better disposed, to oppose the measure.

Prohibition is not dead, but it is one of the living issues of the day. It is our opinion that no man professing to be a christian ought to support for any office any man who encourages by precept or example the traffic in strong drink. As to our members engaging in dram drinking, we have long since declared this to be a vile practice, which should not be tolerated by the churches.

JOHN J. ORR.

A motion to adopt was advocated by J. Gallamore and B. M. Bean, and unanimously carried.

REPORT ON STATE OF THE CHURCHES.

Your committee takes pleasure in reporting that the churches are moving forward, and the out-look is more promising than heretofore. More Sunday schools and prayer-meetings have been kept up and more churches are paying salaries to their pastors. Yet there is room for improvement. The fields are indeed white for the harvest and the command is "reap." Some of our churches fail to report their Sunday schools; others say nothing about prayer-meetings, while nearly all say little or nothing about Home and Foreign Missions. Let us earnestly pray and work that His Kingdom may flourish within our bounds. Respectfully submitted.

T. M. STEWART.

On motion the report was unanimously adopted. The finance committee submitted the following :

FINANCE REPORT.

Received from the following churches : Mills River, 60c.; Hooper's Creek, $1.50; Salem, $3.00; Hendersonville, $5.25; Mud Creek, $2.00; French Broad, $1.15; Pleasant Grove, 90c.; Bolston, 60c.; Refuge, $1.60; Ebenezer, $2.25; Pleasant Hill, $1.00. Total, $19.85. J. P. MORGAN, Com.

Report adopted.

RESOLUTIONS :

Resolved, That the ministers and Boards of Henderson County Association and the Henderson County Sunday School Convention, meet with the ministers and Boards of Transylvania and Buncombe counties at a time to be determined by them, to talk of and discuss matters and questions of interest to Christ's Kingdom in our boundary.

Resolved, That we tender our thanks to the brethren and citizens of this vicinity for their hospitality in entertaining us, during the sessions of this body.

On motion, allowed the Clerk $3.00 for his services, and instructed him to use the balance of the money in the treasury in having Minutes printed and distributed among the churches.

Adjourned to meet with the church in Hendersonville, on Thursday, October 11th, 1883, at 11 a. m.

D. B. NELSON, Moderator.

D. STRADLEY, Clerk.

NOTE.—On Sabbath Elder B. M. Bean preached an able discourse to a full house, when a collection for missions was taken up. Clerk.

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I.

This body shall be known as the Henderson County Baptist Association.

ARTICLE II.

This body shall consist of the ordained ministers of the churches, and in addition, two delegates for every church in Henderson county containing twenty-five members, or less, and two additional delegates for every other twenty-five members, to be appointed annually by the churches. And in the Minutes there shall not appear in the list of delegates the name of any member who absents himself from the session of the Association without the leave of the body.

ARTICLE III.

SEC. 1. The officers of this body shall consist of a Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer and Historian. The Moderator shall be elected annually by ballot, and the other officers as the Association may direct, the election to take place immediately after the reading of church letters and enrolling of delegates.

SEC. 2. The duties of Moderator and Clerk shall be such as those prescribed for those officers in Mell's Parliamentary Practice.

SEC. 3. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive all moneys belonging to this body, and pay them out by order of the same.

SEC. 4. It shall be the duty of the Historian to keep such an historical record as the Association may direct.

ARTICLE IV.

It shall be the object of this body to prosecute within its bounds, and to cooperate with the Western Baptist Convention in so doing, the cause of Home and Foreign Missions, Education, Temperance and Sabbath Schools.

ARTICLE V.

This body shall meet annually according to adjournment.

ARTICLE VI.

Whenever the Minutes of any meeting of the Association are printed, a copy of the Constitution shall be published with them.

ARTICLE VII.

The standing committees of this body shall consist of Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Education, Periodicals, Sabbath Schools and State of the Churches, which shall be appointed by the Moderator at each annual session with instructions to make reports at the present session. The Moderator shall appoint for the benefit of each session, committees on Finance, Order of Business, Preaching, and Time, Place and stated Services of the next meeting, with such other committees as the body may direct.

ARTICLE VIII.

The form of church letter shall be as follows: Name of church and date of organization, name of members delegated to the Association; time of meeting; name of pastor, and if any change of pastors during the year by death or otherwise, to be noted; name of clerk and his postoffice; names and postoffice address of ordained ministers in membership; number baptized; received by letter; restored; dismissed by letter; excluded; dead; number and sex of members; time of prayer-meeting, amount paid for pastor's salary; home missions; foreign missions; education, and the amount contributed for any other benevolent object.

Sunday-school Statistics shall be as follows: State whether the school is Baptist or Union; number of volumes in library; number of officers, teachers, and scholars; number of scholars converted during the year; number of church members engaged in Sunday-school; amount paid for support of school; amount paid for Sunday-school missions; and amount contributed for other benevolent objects.

ARTICLE IX.

This body shall be governed by the rules of Mell's Parliamentary Practice.

ARTICLE X.

This Constitution may be altered or amended by a two-thirds vote at any regular meeting.

CHURCH STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	CLERKS.	POST OFFICES.	Date of Org'nizat'n	Baptisms,	Received by Letter	Restored,	Dismissed by letter,	Excluded,	Died,	No. Male Members,	Female Members,	Total No. Members	Prayer Meeting,	Pastor's Salary,	Con'd H. Missions,	Con'd F. Missions,	
Hendersonville,	J. E. Carter,	T. J. Rickman,	Hendersonville,	1844	4	18		4	3				127	1	$700 00	$30 00	$45 00	$
Hooper's Creek,	W. J. Wilkie,	J. E. Garren,	Shufordville,	1856	8					2	28	41	69		37 50	3 00		
Salem,	E. J. Morgan,	J. T. Sales,	Shufordville,	1838				3			29	66	95		40 00	1 00		
Refuge,	Jas. Blythe,	S. J. Justice,	Edneyville,			1	2	1	1	4	4		218					
Ebenezer,	W. C. McCarthy,	D. C. Allen,	Hendersonville,	1817				1	1	3	30	54	84		48 00	1 66	1 75	
French Broad,	S. C. Owen,	J. S. Rhodes,	Mills River,	1789		2	1	3		1	13	23	36					
Mud Creek,	Rufus Rhodes,	R. W. Reed,	Hendersonville,	1800	2	1		7	1	1			44		10 00			
Pleasant Hill,	T. Bright,	W. F. Robinson,	Hendersonville,			8	6		2				26	1		5 38	30	
Mills River,	E. J. Morgan,	H. N. Gillespie,	Pink Bed,				4	2	13	6	1		47		25 00			
Boilston,	E. J. Morgan,	M. L. Underwood,	Boilston,	1861	14	14		1	1		42	72	114	1	50 00			
Pleasant Grove, *																		

* Delegate, but no letter.

SUNDAY-SCHOOL STATISTICS.

SCHOOL.	SUPERINTENDENT.	SECRETARY.	POST-OFFICE.	Date Organization,	Baptist,	Union.	Officers & Teachers	Total No. in School	No. of Conversions.	Evergreen.	Suspend for Winter	Con'd H. Missions,	Con'd F. Missions,	Fr School Exp'ns's,	For S. S. Board.	
Hendersonville,	J. Williams,	J. P. Rickman,	Hendersonville,		1		8	75	3	1				$68 37		
Hooper's Creek,	J. E. Garren,		Shufordville,		1			18							80	
Refuge,	John Jordan,	S. J. Justice,	Blue Ridge,				8	125								
Ebenezer,	J. J. Blythe,		Hendersonville,		1		4	20						3 00		
Mud Creek,	Jacob Hefner,	Jacob Hefner,	Hendersonville,		1		3	21						2 19		
Pleasant Hill,	Wm. F. Robinson,		Hendersonville,		1		6	37						11 00		
Mills River,	Wm. Rickman,	S. C. Sitton,	Pink Bed,				6							1 55		
Boilston,	J. J. Orr,		Boilston,		1		6	60	7					15 90		

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OCTOBER 11TH, 12TH AND 13TH, 1883.

COMPILED BY

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D. B. Nelson, Hendersonville, N. C.
W. C. McCarthy, " " "
F. M. Jordan, " " "
G. S. Jones, " " "
J. E. Carter, " " "
T. Bright, Hendersonville, N. C.
S. C. Owen, " " "
W. J. Wilkie, Bear Wallow, N. C.
J. W. Anderson, Crab Creek, " "

OFFICERS OF THE ASSOCIATION.

D. B. NELSON, Moderator, - Hendersonville, - N. C.
F. D. McCARTHY, Clerk, " " "
J. WILLIAMS, Treasurer, " " "
J. E. CARTER, Historian, " " "

The next session will be held with the Pleasant Hill church, commencing on Thursday, October 9th, 1884. Rev. F. M. Jordan will preach the Introductory Sermon.

PROCEEDINGS.

THURSDAY, October 11th, 1883.

THE HENDERSON COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION met in its second session with Hendersonville church, at 10 a. m.: Elder G. S. Jones preached the Introductory Sermon from the text: "The kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our Lord and his Christ; and he shall reign for ever and ever." Rev. 12: 15.

The body was called to order by the former Moderator, Elder D. B. Nelson. F. D. McCarthy was appointed Clerk *pro tem.* After which, adjourned to meet at 2 p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Association re-assembled, and engaged in prayer with Elder F. M. Jordan.

Letters from the churches of the Association were read and delegates enrolled, as follows :

Hendersonville.—Elders J. E. Carter, G. S. Jones and T. Bright, and brethren John Jordan, J. Williams, Prof. W. A. G. Brown, J. S. Barnett, John P. Morgan.

Mills' River.—W. M. Rickman and A. Hix.

Salem.—J. R. Garren and J. T. Sales.

Ebenezer—J. H. Fletcher, J. R. Allen and T. J. Shipman.

Mud Creek.—T. H. Painter and Jacob Hefner.

Pleasant Hill.—Richard Drake, E. R. Nelson and John Brown.

French Broad.—Elders S. C. Owen, F. M. Jordan, J. Miller, D. B. Nelson and brethren E. L. Allen, Richard Taylor and John D. Nelson.

Boilston.—F. M. Nicholson, J. J. Orr and J. M. Banning.

Pleasant Grove.—John Rickman.

The following churches were admitted into membership upon the reading of their letters :

Crab Creek.—Elder J. W. Anderson, J. L. Evans, N. Corn and A. L. Patterson.

Bear Wallow.—Elder W. J. Wilkie and brethren F. M. Freeman, J. W. Freeman, R. A. Freeman, R. M. Prior and F. M. Hamrick.

Mt. Gilead.—A newly organized Church,—J. S. Rhodes and S. Whitaker.

Broad River church, of McDowell county, represented by D. L. Clement, requested membership. After some discussion the application was referred to a committee of three, consisting of Elders S. C. Owen, J. E. Carter and brother J. S. Rhodes.

A letter purporting to be from Beulah church was challenged by E. R. Nelson and declared to represent only a faction of that

church. A lengthy discussion ensued, resulting in referring the letter to the following committee :

Elders J. E. Carter, W. J. Wilkie, G. S. Jones and brethren S. Whitaker, J. S. Rhodes and R. A. Freeman.

An election was held for permanent organization; brethren R. A. Freeman and E. L. Allen acting as tellers, resulting as follows :

Moderator, Elder D. B. Nelson; Clerk, F. D. McCarthy; Treasurer, J. Williams; Historian, Elder J. E. Carter.

On motion, the order of business of last session was adopted, to be followed until the committee on Order of Business reported.

An invitation to Messengers from sister Associations to seats with the body was accepted by Elders J. B. Boone, of South Yadkin, N. B. Williams, of Transylvania; J. Mitchell and T. K. Brown, of Buncombe Association.

The Moderator appointed the following committees :

Foreign Missions.—Elders N. B. Williams and S. C. Owen.

Home Missions.—Elder F. M. Jordan and S. Whitaker.

Education.—Elder J. E. Garter and William Rickman.

Periodicals.—J. R. Garren and John Jordan.

Sunday Schools.—Elder G. S. Jones and R. A. Freeman.

Temperance.—Elder J. Mitchell and T. Bright.

Finance.—J. S. Rhodes and Jay Freeman.

Preaching.—Pastor and Deacons of Hendersonville church.

Time, Place and Annual Sermon.—R. T. Drake, W. J. Wilkie and J. S. Rhodes.

The Moderator appointed Elder J. Mitchell to conduct devotional exercises in the morning.

Adjourned to meet at 9 a. m. Prayer by Elder N. B. Williams.

FRIDAY MORNING, Oct. 12.

In the absence of Elder J. Mitchell, devotional exercises were conducted by Elder T. Bright.

At 9:30 Moderator called the Association to order.

Minutes of yesterday read and corrected.

The letter of Salem church read and delegates received.

Invitation to Messengers and visitors repeated, and accepted by brother J. S. Huggins, of Green River Association.

Committee on Order of Business reported.

On motion, report was re-committed with instructions to draft a permanent order of business. Elders N. B. Williams and J. Mitchell were added to the committee.

On motion, the appointment of a committee on State of the Churches was omitted for the present session.

Committee on Home Missions reported as follows :

HOME MISSIONS.

The Home Mission work is progressing slowly but steadily. The Home

Mission Boards are occupying many important fields in Western North Carolina. Neat and comfortable houses of worship are now in process of completion at Jefferson, in Ashe, and Sparta, in Alleghaney counties. But these mission points are in great need of funds to complete their houses, and maintain regular preaching of the Gospel. These two counties are more destitute of the pure Gospel of Jesus Christ, probably, than any others west of the Blue Ridge, while there are many waste places in our western Zion which should be looked after and built up. Your committee recommend the building of a comfortble meeting house at every needed point, and preaching the unadulterated Gospel of Christ at every available point. Then let the Henderson County Association inscribe upon her banner : "Western North Carolina for Jesus," and then spare neither time nor money to accomplish this glorious object.

Respectfully submitted,

F. M. JORDAN, } Com.
S. WHITAKER. }

After much interesting discussion the following amendment was offered by Elder T. Bright.

RESOLVED, That we instruct the Executive Board of this Association to call a meeting as early as convenient, and set on foot some plan to execute the work in our county.

The report and amendment were adopted.

Committee on Order of Business submitted the following report, which was adopted and ordered to be printed in the minutes :

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

Your committee on drafting a permanent Order of Business beg leave to submit the following :

I. Introductory Sermon.
II. Organization.
(1.) Reading church Letters and enrolling delegates.
(2.) Electing officers.
III. Invitation to Correspondents and visitors.
IV. Admission of new churches.
V. Appointment of Committees.
(1.) Preaching.
(2.) Home Missions.
(3.) Foreign Missions.
(4.) Education.
(5.) Sunday Schools,
(6.) Temperance.
(7.) Periodicals.
(8.) State of the Churches.
(9.) Finance.
(10.) Sermon for next Session.
VI. Report of Committees.
VII. Historian's Report.
VIII. Treasurer's Report.
IX. Miscellaneous business.
X. Adjournment

Respectfully submitted,

J. H. FLETCHER.
J. MITCHEL, } Com.
N. B. WILLIAMS.

S. V. Pickens, Esq., and Dr. J. G. Waldrop, of the Methodist church of Hendersonville, together with other members of other denominations present, were cordially invited to seats.

The regular order of business was suspended to receive the report of special Committee, on the admission of Beulah church. The Committee submitted the following

REPORT.

Your Committee to whom was referred the application of the Beulah church for membership in this body, respectfully report as follows:

We recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

RESOLVED, That this Association deem it inexpedient to accord associational membership to either a majority or minority of a church constituency at variance among themselves.

RESOLVED, 2nd, That we extend to the brethren now present, from said church, the courtesies of this body, tendering them such privileges as are usually accorded to visiting brethren.

RESOLVED, 3rd, That we advise the parties at variance in Beulah church to use all dilligence in the effort to settle their troubles among themselves, and if they cannot adjust their own difficulties then we recommend that they call a council of judicious brethren to give them advice.

J. E. CARTER
G. S. JONES,
W. J. WILKIE,
S. WHITAKER,
J. S. RHODES,
R. A. FREEMAN. } Com.

A lengthy and spirited discussion ensued; Elders G. S. Jones and J. E. Carter favoring, and F. M. Jordan, S. C. Owen, and others, opposing its adoption. Discussion interrupted by the hour for adjournment.

Adjourned to meet at 2 p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Association met. Resumed consideration of report, limiting speeches to 5 minutes. Discussion finally resulted in its adoption, thus confirming the principle that an Association has no jurisdiction in church difficulties.

Elder J. H. Duckworth, of Transylvania Asssociation, was invited to a seat with the body.

Delegates Elder J. W. Anderson, of Crab Creek, and John H. Tinley, of Bear Wallow, reported.

Elder T. Bright offered the following amendment to the Constitution:

RESOLVED, That we amend Art. 2nd of our Constitution so as to make it read: "Composed of the ministers and churches of this county. Others may be admitted for convenience only."

Amendment adopted.

Special committee on application of Broad River Baptist church of McDowell county reported, recommending its admission.

Report adopted.

Committee on Foreign Missions submitted the following :

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Your committee on Foreign Missions beg leave to report :

Whatever may be said of spiritual dearth in sections where there were once manifestations of Christian activity, it cannot be denied that the obligation upon christians to give the Gospel to the benighted of earth is more fully recognized than at any time since the Apostles ceased work. Nor can it be denied that the Gospel itself, directly and indirectly, is gaining unparalleled conquests over an ever widening area. The candlestick taken out of its place here is more than compensated for by the hundreds of new churches ever springing up. The worldly spirit sapping the churches in given sections, however large, is offset by the general progress of spiritual truth. Southern Baptists, along with others, are increasing their efforts toward the evangelization of the heathen. They are not doing more than a tithe of what they ought to do, but there is improvement in this regard, and for the measure of progress made, we thank God and take courage.

A step forward was taken at the meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention, at Columbus, Mississipi, in 1881, when the question of "eliciting, combining and directing the energies of the denomination" was discussed, and experimental measures were adopted to this end.

It has been the endeavor of the Convention, since that time, to get nearer the churches composing its constituency.

The enlarged duties of the Vice Presidents of the two Boards of the Convention in the several states; the appointment of men in each Association, and in each church, to represent the work; the distribution of Mission Tracts, the enlargment of the Foreign Mission Journal, and employment of an editor for its columns; the reinforcement of old, and the opening of new mission stations, all show a disposition to reach the great brotherhood of Christ, and to "elicit, combine, and direct" their energies for the world's salvation.

The Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention is located at Richmond, Virginia. Dr. H. A. Tupper is corresponding Secretary. The Southern Baptists are doing Foreign Mission work as follows .

	Missionaries.	Membership.
In Mexico.	5	65
" Brazil	4	50
" China,	19	587
" Africa.	7	100
" Italy,	4	220
	39	1022

Besides these, there are valuable native assistants—sometimes more efficient than the Missionaries themselves. This is especially true of some of the cultivated men who are assisting in the work in Italy.

Southern Baptists, last year, gave to Foreign Missions, $56.804.71, more by far than they have been accustomed to give. This year the Foreign Mission Board asks the churches to increase their contributions to $100,000. Of this amount, North Carolina is asked to give $8.000, and Henderson Connty Association is requested to contribute $100.

Your committee would recommend that the Association endeavor to raise its pro-rata of the amount asked from Southern Baptists.

Respectfully submitted,

N. B. Williams, Chm'n.

A stirring address was delivered by the chairman of the committee, followed by an earnest appeal by Elder J. E. Carter, who had

been requested by the Foreign Mission Board to raise the amount assigned the Association. The following amount in pledges and cash was lifted :

PLEDGES.

Hendersonville, $25.00; Boilston and Salem, $20.000; Ebenezer, French Broad, Mt. Gilead and Beulah, $20.00; Pleasant Grove, $5.-00: Mills' River, $5.00; Bear Wallow, $5.00; Broad River, $2.50; Mud Creek, $4.00; Hooper's Creek, $5.00; Pleasant Hill, $2.00; Crab Creek, $7.00. Cash paid : S. V. Pickens, $1.00; Mrs. Gage, $1 00; General collection, $5.57. Total, $108.07.

On motion, a committee consisting of Elder T. Bright, J. S. Rhodes and R. A. Freeman, were appointed to nominate a Board of Associational Missions.

Adjourned to meet at 9:30 a. m. Prayer by Elder J. B. Boone.

SATURDAY, Oct. 13th, 1883.

Association met according to adjournment. Engaged in prayer with Elder W. J. Wilkie.

Minutes of yesterday read and corrected.

Special Committee on Board of Associational Missions reported as follows :

Hendersonville, Elder G. S. Jones; Ebenezer, J. H. Fletcher; Pleasant Grove, W. R. Whitaker; Mills' River, M. L. Underwood; Boilston, J. J. Orr; Mt. Gilead, S. Whitaker; Pleasant Hill, W. F. Robinson; Mud Creek, Jacob Hefner; Crab Creek, J. W. Anderson; Bear Wallow. J. W. Freeman; Broad River, David Clements; Salem, J. T. Sales; French Broad. Elder D. B. Nelson.

Leave of absence was granted Prof. W. A. G. Brown and Elder J. W. Anderson.

The reading of the roll of delegates was postponed, to be called just previous to adjournment.

Committee on Time, Place, Annual Sermon, etc., submitted the following :

REPORT ON TIME, PLACE, ETC.

TIME:—Thursday before second Sabbath in October 1884.
PLACE:—Pleasant Hill Church, 4 miles West of Hendersonville.
INTRODUCTORY SERMON:—Elder F. M. Jordan.
ALTERNATE : " T. Bright.
MISSIONARY SERMON : " J. E. Carter.
ALTERNATE: " D. B. Nelson.

Respectfully submitted,

J. S. RHODES, Chm'n.

Committee on Education presented the following

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

Your committee beg leave to report that the cause of Edueation, under the fostering influences of our religion, is on the increase, all through the bounds of our Association and of Western North Carolina. Judson College has begun,

we hope, a new career of prosperity. Under the Presidency of brother J. B. Boone, and the efficiency of his present most excellent Faculty, we are looking forward to enlarged success and a bright future.

Beside the great good done by the College, in the past year, by way of general education, the work of educating our ministers, in the mean time, is a source of profound gratification. The past summer, and the present time, are making a showing in the work of our beneficiaries, still laboring in different counties of our Western Convention—which is truly a subject of great rejoicing. Sunday-schools are organized; good books are sold, Bibles and Testaments are distributed; religious meetings are increased in interest, and scores of converts are being baptized, under the labors of these self-sacrificing students of Judson College, from Graham almost to McDowell counties.

It is all important for the well being of the College that the present debt on the building be paid at the earliest opportunity. Twenty-two hundred dollars in the form of a judgment confessed, bearing 8 per cent. interest, is the debt that lies as an incubus upon our institution. We are glad to say that with an efficient Agent in the field we are sure this debt can be paid at once. We would here ask leave to express the hope that the Board of Directors will, as soon as possible, put such a man in the field and set the College free from this incumbrance.

We are earnest in saying that the Baptists of Western North Carolina should rally around Judson College. Unless our brethren send their sons and daughters there, the College cannot live. With the patronage of our people, we shall soon have an institution of great power in our midst.

Western North Carolina is now passing through a transition period, the watch-word of which is "EDUCATION." We must educate our children or be swallowed up by the incoming tide. No nobler boys and girls breathe, than those whose sparkling eyes gleam in our pure mountain air. With our children upon an even footing with the rest of the world, we ask no odds in developing the brightest intellects and strongest minds in our broad land. Let us, then, see to it that the promising youth of the present generation have those advantages which education can give.

J. E. CARTER, Chm'n.
W. RICKMAN.

Pending its adoption stirring addresses were delivered by the chairman of committee, Pres. J. B. Boone, of Judson College, John Jordan, and others.

Adjourned to meet at 2 p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Association re-assembled. Resumed discussion of report on Education. Further remarks by Elders J. Mitchell and T. Bright, after which report was adopted.

T. Bright and J. E. Carter raised a collection for the beneficiary fund amounting to $12.00.

Pending the reports of other committees, on motion the speeches were limited to 10 minutes for the chairman and 5 minutes each for others.

Committee on Sunday-schools submitted the following

REPORT.

In reviewing the letters presented to this body we find the following status of Sunday-school interest noted in the church correspondence :

Hendersonville Sunday-school is in good moving order. Members, 75; vols. in library, 100; collected for school and other objects, $67.73; twenty-five church

members engaged in the work; four conversions in the Sunday school.
J. WILLIAMS, Sup't.

French Broad Sunday-school numbers 37 members; uses Intermediate Lessons; voluues in library, 50; collection for Sunday-school purposes, $9.25; will continue the school during winter. D. B. NELSON, Sup't.

Ebenezer Sunday-school has 56 members, using International Lessons; collected for school purposes $2.40. J. H. FLETCHER. Sup't.

Salem Sunday-school has 28 members; conversions, 2; collected for Sunday-school purposes $6.70; other objects $——— JOHN GALIMORE, Sup't.

Bear Wallow Sunday-school numbers 126; conversions, 2; sixty-one church members engaged in the school; collections for school support, $9.63; other objects, $18.50. J. H. FREEMAN, Supt.

Boilston Sunday-school has 57 members; conversions, 6; use 45 copies Quarterly Lesson papers; collected for school purposes, $6.59; for other objects, $15.
J. J. ORR, Sup't.

Pleasant Hill Sunday-school reports regular sessions all the year up to August; 25 books in library; amount expended for school support, $3.50.
R. T. DRAKE, Sup't.

Broad River Sunday-school uses the International Lessons; members, 85; a live working school. W. B. SEARCY, Sup't.

Total number of Sunday-school members reported 462. We trust that all our churches will report at our next annual meeting.

Respectfully submitted, G. S. JONES. R. A. FREEMAN. } Com.

Pending its adoption remarks by Elders S. C. Owen, J. Mitchell, F. M. Jordan, and brethren R. A. Freeman, John Jordan and others.

Report adopted.

Committee on Temperance reported as follows :

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

Temperance is the moderate use of things beneficial and the total abstinance from things injurious. Intoxicating drinks, used as a beverage, are injurious. There is no greater evil in our land than that resulting from intoxicating drink, and we would earnestly recommend that our brethren, and churches, do what they can, in every lawful way, to save our country and people from so great an evil, and so fearful a death.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN MITCHELL, T. BRIGHT. } Com.

Report was unanimously adopted after stirring remarks by chairman, and others.

The committee on Periodicals submitted the following report :

Your committee would respectfully recommend to the Baptists of Henderson county the BLUE RIDGE BAPTIST, a paper ably edited by brother D. B. Nelson, sound in every particular, and well calculated to meet the demands of our people. It is not a question who can afford to take it, but who can afford to do without it ?

Respectfully submitted,

J. R. GARREN, JOHN JORDAN. } Com.

Report was amended by inserting the following :

We also recommend the " Foreign Mission Journal," the organ of our For-

esgn Mission Board, published at Richmond, Va., for 50 cts. per annum. Also, the "Biblical Recorder," published at Raleigh, N. C., under the editorship of brother T. C. Baily.

Report as amended was unanimously adopted.

The regular order of business was suspended to give opportunity for securing subscriptions for the BLUE RIDGE BAPTIST.

Committee on Finance presented the following :

Received for minutes : Ebenezer, $1.10; Mills' River, $1.10; Bear Wallow, 60 cts.; Salem, $2.05; French Broad, $2.00; Pleasant Grove, 55 cts.; Boilston, $2.00; Mud Creek, $1.75; Broad River, 80 cents. Total, $11.95. Other pledges were made raising the amount to $20.00.

Leave of absence was granted brother J. S. Rhodes.

The Historian reported as follows :

HISTORIAN'S REPORT.

Your historian begs leave to report that during the Spring of this year the Board of Education of the Western Baptist Convention appointed Elder T. Bright, of Hendersonville, agent to raise funds to aid in support of our ministerial students at Judson College. Up to this time brother Bright's success has been encouraging.

On the fifth Sunday in April a Ministers' Institute was organized at Mud Creek church. Most of our ministers of the county were present. There has been one since, at Mills' River church. It is hoped that much good will grow out of these Institutes to the ministers of our Association.

There was a meeting of more than common interest at Mills' River church, of which Elder T. Bright is pastor, where about forty were baptized. It was in the month of August.

A new church was organized at the school-house in the Smoky Hollow section on the 29th of September. There were forty-eight persons who went into the organization, the larger number of these having been baptized by Elder F. M. Jordan a short time before. Elders D. B. Nelson, F. M. Jordan, T. Bright, S. C. Owen and J. E. Carter were present, and took part in the exercises.

The organization of this church was the result of an uncommonly extensive revival which was conducted by Elders F. M. Jordan and S. C. Owen a short time before the organization took place

In the latter part of the Spring of this year the Board of Directors of Judson College elected Elder J. B. Boone to the Presidency of this Institution. He accepted and reached Hendersonville with his family on the 11th of September, and opened school on the 17th. The faculty is composed of Mr. and Mrs. Boone, Professors Brown and Morris, of the old faculty, G. C. Briggs, of Madison county, Miss S. R. Darden, of Hertford county, and Miss Zollie Montague, of Wake Forest. The session opened most encouragingly, with 115 students, including 26 in the boarding department. Since then others have entered, and others still are writing that they will soon come.

There have been revival meetings, and a fair amount ingatherings from them, in the county, during the past associational year. There have been but few pastoral changes. Elder T. Bright took charge of Mills' River and Pleasant Grove, and Elder S. C. Owen of Beulah and Ebenezer churches, and also of Mt. Gilead, the church newly organized.

A gentleman of wealth presented the editor of the BLUE RIDGE BAPTIST with $50.00, in the month of July, and requested that it be used in sending the paper to the poor.

Respectfully submitted, JOSEPH E. CARTER.

Report was adopted.

The Treasurer presented the following report:

To the Henderson County Association:—DEAR BRETHREN:—

As Treasurer of the Association I beg leave to report collected as follows:

Oct. 29, 1882,	Received of Finance Committee,	$15.75.
" " "	" Henderson County Association,	8.73.
Jan. 1 1883,	" " Ebenezer church,	3.40.
June 1 "	" " Salem "	2.80.
		$30.88.

July 4, 1883.

Cr. by cash to Davis Bros. for printing Minutes,		$18.75.
		11.93.
October 14, 1883,		20.00.
Finance Committee, on hand,		$31.93.

Respectfully submitted,

J. WILLIAMS, Treas.

Report adopted.

On motion, the Clerk was allowed $5.00 for his services, and was to use the balance of funds in the Treasury for printing Minutes.

On motion, the usual vote of thanks to residents for their hospitality was rendered. Also, the thanks of the body were extended to the Methodist brethren for kindly offering the use of their house for services.

Adjourned to meet with Pleasant Hill church, on Thursday, Oct. 11, 1884.

Prayer by Elder J. Mitchell.

D. B. NELSON, Moderator.

F. D. MCCARTHY, Clerk.

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I.

This body shall be known as the Henderson County Baptist Association.

ARTICLE II.

This body shall consist of the ordained ministers and churches of this county. Others may be admitted for convenience only. Two delegates to represent each church containing twenty-five members or less, and two additional delegates for every other twenty-five members, to be appointed annually by the churches. And in the Minutes there shall not appear in the list of delegates the name of any member who absents himself from the session of the Association without leave of the body.

ARTICLE III.

SEC. 1. The officers of this body shall consist of a Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer and Historian. The Moderator shall be elected annually by ballot, and the other officers as the Association may direct, the election to take place immediately after the reading of church letters and enrolling of delegates.

SEC. 2. The duties of Moderator and Clerk shall be such as those prescribed for those officers in Mell's Parliamentary Practice.

SEC. 3. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive all moneys belonging to this body, and pay them out by order of the same.

SEC. 4. It shall be the duty of the Historian to keep such an historical record as the Association may direct.

ARTICLE IV.

It shall be the object of this body to prosecute within its bounds, and to cooperate with the Western Baptist Convention in so doing, the canse of Home and Foreign Missions, Education, Temperance and Sabbath Schools.

ARTICLE V.

This body shall meet annually according to adjournment.

ARTICLE VI.

Whenever the Minutes of any meeting of the Association are printed, a copy of the Constution shall be printed with them.

ARTICIE VII.

The standing committees of this body shall consist of Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Education, Periodicals, Sabbath Schools and State of the Churches, which shall be appointed by the Moderator at each annual session with instructions to make reports at the present session. The Moderator shall appoint for the benefit of each session, committees on Finance, Order of Business, Preaching, and Time, Place and stated Services of the next meeting, with such other committees as the body may direct.

ARTICLE VIII.

The form of church letter shall be as follows : Name of church and date of organization, name of members delegated to the Association; time of meeting; name of pastor, and if any change of pastors during the year by death or otherwise, to be noted; name of clerk and his postoffice; names and postoffice address of ordained ministers in membership; number baptized; received by letter; restored; dismissed by letter; excluded; dead; number and sex of members; time of prayer-meeting; amount paid for pastor's salary; home missions; foreign missions; education, and the amount contributed for any other benevolent object.

Sunday school statistice shall be as follows: State whether the school is Baptist or Union; number of volumes in library; number of officers, teachers, and scholars; number of scholars converted during the year; number of church members engaged in Sunday school; amount paid for support of school; amount paid for Sunday school missions; amount contributed for other benevolent objects.

ARTICLE IX.

This body shall be governed by the rules of Mell's Parliamentary Practice.

ARTICLE X.

This constitution may be altered or amended by a two-third vote at any regular meeting.

CHURCH STATISTICS

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	CLERKS.	POST OFFICES.	Date of Organizat'n	Baptisms.	Received by Letter.	Restored.	Dismissed.	Excluded.	Died.	No. Male Members	No. Female Memb's	Total No. Membe's	Prayer Meetings	Pastors' Salary.	Cont'd H. Missions	Cont'd F. Missions	Cont'd to Education	Contrib. for Minut's
Hendersonville	J. E. Carter,	T. J. Rickman,	Hendersonville,	1844	5	8		18	3	1	48	70	118	1	$	$27 88	$33 05	$44 50	$
Ebenezer,	S. C. Owen,	D. C. Allen,	Hendersonville,	1817	16	2	3	2	1	2	40	58	98		21 00	5 20			1 10
Mills' River,	T. Bright,	H. W. Gillespie,	Pink Bed,	1835	38	12	3	19			27	53	80	1	40 00	2 40	1 69		1 10
Bear Wallow,	W. J. Wilkie,	Jay W. Freeman,	Pump,	1868				8	10		63	47	110	1	46 69	5 05	5 00	10 00	60
Salem,	E. J. Morgan,	John T. Sales,	Shufordville	1838		3	3	12	2		26	62	88		39 20	5 20	85		2 05
Crab Creek,	J. W. Anderson,	J. L. Evans,	Delmont,		11	2	1	6		2			130						
French Broad,	S. C. Owen,			1789	26	25		31	2	1			101		50 25				2 00
Pleasant Grove,	T. Bright,	J. L. Whitaker,	Pink Bed,	1879	4	5			3		18	15	33		40 00	2 85			55
Pleasant Hill,	A. B. Thomas,	R. T. Drake,	Hendersonville,	1882	18	10				1	16	26	42	1	25 00				
Boilston,	E. J. Morgan,	J. M. Banning,	Boilston,	1861	10	4		10	1		45	72	117	1	50 00		11 75	2 50	2 00
Mud Creek,	S. C. Owen,	J. H. Beck,	Hendersonville,			3	1	2	1		16	28	44		13 00	2 00			1 75
Mt. Gilead,	S. C. Owen,	J. S. Rhodes,	Mills' River,	1883							21	27	48						
Broad River,	F. C. Hamrick,	Uriah Owenby,	Bat Cave,	1866	6	4	1	3	2				70	1	30 00				80

Hendersonville church contributed for incidental expenses, $34.50; other benevolent objects, $85.90. French Broad church contributed for incidental expenses, $38.00; other benevolent objects, $7.50.

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NAMES AND POST OFFICES OF ORDAINED MINISTERS.

J. E. Carter, G. S. Jones, J. B. Boone, G. H. Church, S. C. Owen, E. R. Nelson, Hendersonville, N. C.; D. B. Nelson, Horse Shoe; W. J. Wilkie, Fruitland.

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OFFICERS OF THE ASSOCIATION.

J. E. Carter, Moderator; S. C. Owen, Clerk; J. P. Morgan, Treasurer; G. S. Jones, Historian.

ORDER OF BUSINESS ADOPTED BY THE ASSOCIATION IN 1883

I. Introductory Sermon.
II. Organization.
(1) Reading church letters and enrolling delegates.
(2) Election of officers.
III. Invitation to correspondents and visitors.
IV. Admission of new churches.
V. Appointment of committees.
(1) Preaching.
(2) Home Missions.
(3) Foreign Missions.
(4) Education.
(5) Sunday-schools.
(6) Temperance.
(7) Periodicals.
(8) State of the churches.
(9) Finance.
(10) Time, Place, Introductory Sermon for next session.
VI. Report of committees.
VII. Historian's Report.
VIII. Treasurer's Report.
IX. Miscellaneous business.
X. Adjournment.

The next Association will be held with Mount Gilead church, on Mill's River, commencing on Thursday before the 4th Sunday in September, 1885.

PROCEEDINGS.

THURSDAY, October 9, 1884.

THE HENDERSON COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION met in its third annual meeting, with the Pleasant Hill Church, at 11 o'clock, A. M. The Introductory Sermon was preached by Elder F. M. Jordan, from Eph. 2 : 19, 20, 21. After sermon, prayer by Elder J. B. Boone.

As Elder D. B. Nelson, the former Moderator, was not present, Elder J. E. Carter was appointed Moderator *pro tem.* Then adjourned 30 minutes.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association met according to adjournment. Led in prayer by Elder G. S. Jones. On motion, Elder S. C. Owen was appointed Clerk *pro tem.*

Elders G. S. Jones and J. B. Boone were appointed to read the Letters from the churches, and the letters were read and delegates enrolled as follows:

Hendersonville.—Elders J. E. Carter, J. B. Boone, G. S. Jones, G. H. Church, and brethren T. J. Rickman, N. Buckner and J. P. Morgan.

Ebenezer.—Joseph Holbert, E. J. Shipman and J. J. Blythe.

Bear Wallow.—F. M. Freeman, W. S. Freeman and F. M. Hamrick.

Salem.—R. T. Tow and J. A. Gallamore.

French Broad.—Elders S. C. Owen and F. M. Jordan, and brethren Richard Taylor and J. D. Nelson.

Pleasant Grove, Mills River.—M. M. Stewart and J. R. Edmonson.

Boilston.—J. J. Orr and James Banning.

Mud Creek.—T. H. Painter, W. F. Robinson, J. D. Nelson and J. S. Hefner.

Mount Gilead.—J. M. Ballard, Phillip Allen and J. S. Rhodes.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The Moderator announced that a permanent moderator would be elected, and appointed W. F. Robinson and J. S. Rhodes as tellers. The election was as follows: Elder J. E. Carter, Moderator; Elder S. C. Owen, Clerk; Brother J. P. Morgan, Treasurer; Elder G. S. Jones, Historian.

Correspondents were called for and the following brethren re-responded:

Carolina Association.—J. L. Brookshier and brother N. H. Corn.

Green River.—Elders E. T. Taylor and J. T. McFaden.

Buncombe.—Elder J. M. Hilliard.

Elder J. M. Bryant was invited to a seat as visitor.

A letter was presented from Pleasant Grove, on French Broad; read and received into this body, with Jacob Shipman and J. B. Sentell as delegates.

COMMITTEES.

The Moderator appointed the following committees:

Home Missions.—J. B. Boone and F. M. Freeman.

Foreign Missions.—J. S. Rhodes and R. T. Tow.

Education.—G. S. Jones and J. S. Hefner.

Temperance.—F. M. Jordan and Joseph Holbert.

Sunday-Schools.—J. J. Orr, J. M. Ballard and F. M. Freeman.

Periodicals.—W. F. Robinson, J. J. Blythe and Richard Taylor.

State of the Chnrches.—W. S. Freeman, J. A. Gallamore and James Banning.

Finance.—T. J. Rickman and E. J. Shipman.

Time, Place, and Introductory Sermon of next Session.—M. M. Stewart, N. Buckner, Phillip Allen and T. H. Painter.

Adjourned to 10 o'clock Friday morning. Prayer by S. C. Owen.

FRIDAY, October 10.

Met according to adjournment. Reading the scriptures by Moderator. Prayer by Elder J. T. McFaden. The minutes of previous day read and corrected.

The report on Home Missions was read, and after speeches by Elders J. B. Boone, E. L. Taylor, J. T. McFaden, S. C. Owen and F. M. Jordan, it was adopted.

HOME MISSIONS.

The missionary operations in the destitute regions in our midst is the strongest possible appeal that can be made to our religious benevolence. It

comes to us in the words of the resurrected Savior, "that repentance and the remission of sins should be preached in his name among all nations, beginning at Jerusalem." We are expected to love our brethren whom we have seen. We have great reasons to thank God that we preach the gospel to many people, but still there are many places among us sadly destitute of preaching. In order to cover all the ground in our midst, (which should be our aim) we must have some organized means of accomplishing it. Much has been done by our pastors preaching at points outside of their regular fields. And very much has been done in other ways, by independent missionaries. But when all of this kind of labor is accomplished that can be done, there will still be many fields not occupied. It must be somebody's business to look after these destitute points. In order to be successful it requires well-directed labor to this. We need the wisdom of our denomination in this Board, and we need a liberal fund to seize the opportunities as they present themselves. The fields ought to be well defined, and suitable men employed to cultivate them.

We have several good men under the employment of our Board for a portion of their time; but it is a great pity that we have not sufficient funds to employ the time of the best men among us who could devote their whole time to destitute fields. Let us see the needs of this department of labor and let us make liberal contributions to it, so that we can put our best strength in it. There is no department of labor upon which the Master has more signally set his seal of success than our home work in North Carolina. We have great reasons to thank God and take courage.

Respectfully submitted,

J. B. Boone, }
F. M. Hamrick. } Com.

Then adjourned to 1 o'clock p. m., and preaching by Elder J. M. Hilliard.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Moderator called the body to order according to adjournment. Prayer by Elder J. M. Bryant.

The Finance Committee's report was read and adopted.

REPORT.

Your committee beg leave to report the amount contributed for printing minutes, $18.90.

Thos. J. Rickman, }
E. J. Shipman. } Com.

The invitation to correspondents and visiting brethren was renewed, and Elder J. W. Anderson, a visiting brother, was invited to a seat with the body. A letter from Pleasant Hill church was then presented and read, with the following brethren as delegates: Elder E. R. Nelson, Elisha Mintz, E. E. Huggins, R. A. Drake and John Nelson.

The Committee on Sunday-schools read the following report, and after remarks by Elder J. M. Bryant, J. T. McFaden, J. J. Orr, S. C. Owen and F. M. Jordan, it was adopted.

REPORT ON SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.

In the judgment of your committee, the Sunday-school cause is on rising grounds. However, there is room for great improvement Rev. J. C. Wilson has done a good work in this county this year, under appointment of the Sunday-school Board of the Western Baptist Convention. All the churches except one have reported Sunday-schools; all using Baptist literature.

We recommend that this Association appoint some one, whose duty it shall be to hold Sunday-school Institutes in this Association—at least four a year. And further recommend that all the churches heartlly co-operate with him, and send delegates from their respective churches to represent their Sunday-schools. Respectfully submitted,

J. J. ORR,
F. M. FREEMAN, } Com.
J. M. BALLARD.

On motion, S. C. Owen, F. M. Freeman and E. J. Shipman were appointed to consider that part of the above report which recommended the appointment of some one to hold Sunday-school Institutes in this Association, and also to recommend some brother for appointment.

The report on Temperance was read, and after speeches by Elders F. M. Jordan, E. L. Taylor, G. H. Church, J. T. McFaden and brother Joseph Holbert, it was adopted.

TEMPERANCE.

RESOLVED, 1. That all makers, venders and consumers of intoxicating liquors, from selfish motives, at the expense and sacrafice of the public good, are enemies to all mankind in general. "If an ox gore a man or a woman, that they die: then the ox shall be surely stoned; but the owner of the ox shall be quit. But if the ox were want to push in time past with his horn, and it hath been testified to his owner, and he hath not kept him in, but that he hath killed a man or a woman; the ox shall be stoned and his owner also shall be put to death." Exodus 21:28, 29.

RESOLVED, 2. That the example of all moderate drinkers of intoxicating liquors tends to drunkenness, poverty and ruin. Woe unto him that giveth his neighbor drink, that putteth the bottle to him, and maketh him drunken also, that thou mayest look on their nakedness. Hab. 2:15.

RESOLVED, 3. That we hail with inexpressible joy the great prohibition move now agitating both continents; that God is the mover of this great enterprise, and woe be to the man who gets in the way of the charriot wheels of Jehovah. F. M. JORDAN.

Adjourned to 10 o'clock, Saturday. Prayer by Eld. E. L. Taylor.

SATURDAY MORNING, October 11.

Met according to adjournment. Reading the Scriptures by Moderator. Prayer by J. J. Blythe. Then read and corrected the minutes of previous day.

The report on Periodicals was read, and speeches by brethren T. J. Rickman, J. J. Orr and W. F. Robinson. The editor was then given time to take subscriptions for his paper, during which time speeches were continued by Elders J. B. Boone, S. C. Owen and J. T. McFaden. The report was then adopted.

REPORT ON PERIGDICALS.

The mind of man is not inert, but is ever seeking employment. If we do not furnish ourselves with good reading matter to employ our minds, the devil will in some way or other find employment for us. We, as Baptists, should fortify ourselves against such invasions. To do this, brethren, we should patronize good religious papers, such as the BLUE RIDGE BAPTIST, published at Hendersonville, N. C., which is in every way worthy of our support. We would next recommend the "Biblical Recorder," the organ of the Baptist State Convention, published at Raleigh, N. C. Brethren, we believe that every family in the State ought to read these two papers. There are other good Baptist papers published out of the State, such as the "Examiner," published in New York, which is a good paper and will help to advance the truth as it is taught by the Baptist denomination.

We further recommend that the International Lesson be published regularly in the BLUE RIDGE BAPTIST.

Respectfully submitted,

W. F. ROBINSON,
J. J. BLYTHE,
RICH'RD TAYLOR. } Com.

The report on education was read by Elder G. S. Jones, and after speeches by the reader, Elders J. B. Boone and J. E. Carter, and Prof. G. C. Briggs, the body adjourned for 45 minutes.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Led in prayer by Elder J. W. Anderson. Then the report on Education was taken up, and the delegates promised the following amounts for their churches, to be paid for ministerial education during the associational year. * Hendersonville, $30,000; French Broad, $5 00; Ebenezer, $5 00; Salem, $5 00; Pleasant Grove, Mills River, $5 00; Pleasant Hill, $5 00; Boilston, $5 00; Mud Creek, $5 00; Mount Gilead, $5 00.

The report was then adopted.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

Without disparaging the ordinary facilities for mental training offered in our public free schools, or private educational enterprises, we deem it our special privilege in this report, to mention prominently, as worthy of our considera-

*See resolutions on collections.

tion, the claims of Judson College, located in our county town. It is indeed gratifying to know that in the hands of President Boone and his scholarly associates, this institution is advancing steadily and successfully under its present efficient management, sustaining a well-merited reputation for wholesome discipline, thorough instruction and a standard of scholarship comparable with the best. Your committee would respectfully suggest the propriety of raising an associational fund (the delegates now present pledge their respective churches for quarterly collections) to aid the Educational Board of the Western Baptist Convention in sustaining at least one young brother in his course of study at Judson College, preparatory to greater usefulness in the Gospel ministry.

G. S. Jones, } Com.
J. F. Hefner.}

The report on Foreign Missions was read, and speech by T. J. Rickman, then the delegates pledged the following amounts for their respective churches, to be paid during this associational year: Hendersonville, $30 00; Ebenezer, $5 00; Boilston, $10 00; Salem, $10 00; French Broad, $5 00; Mount Gilead, $5 00; Pleasant Grove, Mills River, $5 00; Bear Wallow, $5 00; Mud Creek, $5 00; Pleasant Hill, $5 00; Crab Creek, $5 00; Pleasant Grove, French Broad, $5 00.

The report was then adopted.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Your committee on Foreign Missions beg leave to submit the following: We believe that the command is just as binding to-day as it was when it fell from the lips of our Savior, when he said, "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature." We thank God and take courage when we see such great work and interest being taken to send out missionaries to the poor benited, and further to know that we have such noble men as brother Yates in China, and others who are willing to sacrifice home and friends, and even their lives if necessary, to carry out the command of the Lord Jesus. We also have missionaries in Mexico, Brazil, Africa, Italy, and other places, who are doing good work.

Brethren, we cannot go to these countries, but we can send the Gospel, which is better; while the Lord gives men the consecration to go, he gives us the means to send them. Now, what is our duty? Does it not increase as the opportunities increase?

The Southern Baptists, in 1882, gave for Foreign Missions, $56,800; in 1883 they gave $80,000, an increase of $23,200; and of this North Carolina was to give only $8,000, and of this amount the Henderson County Association has paid $90. Notwithstanding all that has been done, and is doing, there are thousands of poor, benited souls starving for the bread of life. "The harvest is great and the laborers are few." Your committee would recommend that every church at this association would obligate themselves to raise, pro rata, $100 this year.

Respectfully submitted,

J. S. Rhodes,} Com.
R. T. Tow. }

The report on Time, Place, and Introductory Sermon, was read and adopted.

Your committee on Time, Place, and Introductory Sermon, beg leave to submit the following report: 1st. That Elder J. B. Boone preach the introductory sermon, Elder S. C. Owen alternate. 2nd. Place—Mount Gilead. 3rd. Time—Thursday before fourth Sunday in September, 1885.

Respectfully submitted,

M. M. STEWART,
PHILIP ALLEN,
N. BUCKNER,
J. H. PAINTER. } Com.

Elder G. S. Jones in the chair while the Moderator, as historian, read the following report, which was adopted:

HISTORIAN'S REPORT.

From the best light which is now before us, the past year has fallen below the preceding year in numbers added to our churches.

Pastoral changes have been few. Elder T. Bright gave up his churches in our Association last Spring, and also his agency work for Judson College. to enter a new field among churches in Polk county. Elder G. H. Church, now attending Judson College, occupies the field left vacant by brother Bright, at Mills River.

Elder J. E. Carter offered his resignation to his charge in Hendersonville, last December, in order that he might accept work in another field, but was induced to withdraw his resignation and remain with his people.

Brother C. M. Willlams, Treasurer of our Western Baptist Convention, died the first week in September, and brother Chas. E. Lee, of Asheville, was elected temporary Treasurer until the Convention, soon to meet.

During this Summer the BLUE RIDGE BAPTIST changed hands. Brother T. J. Rickman, of Hendersonville, buying the interest of brother D. B. Nelson. Brother Nelson remains connected with the paper in the capacity of associate editor. On the 2nd of October this paper changed its form and appearance from an 8-page to a seven column 4-page, with new type

By request of the Western Baptist Convention, in its last session, at Enon, Elder J. E. Carter preached, before the body, and published, a sermon on "Distinctive Baptist Principles." Five thousand copies of this sermon were struck from the press and put in tract form and bound volumes They have been sold, and are now being sold by several State Boards and by private hands, far and near.

Brother F. D. McCarthy, the last Clerk of this Association, changed his residence to the State of Ohio last Spring.

Elder F. M. Jordan has exchanged his home with Elder T. K. Brown, of Buncombe county, and is expecting daily to move, brother Brown coming to brother Jordan's former home, to educate his children at Judson College.

The brethren of Beulah, who asked admission into this body last year, took the advice of the Association and called a council to advise them, in their troubles. Brethren G S. Jones, J. E. Carter and J. B. Boone constituted the council. The older and leading ones in the matter took the advice of this council. They have been received again into the fellowship of the Beulah church, and peace and quiet seems to reign.

There has been a new accession to the faculty of Judson College, in the

person of Prof. J. C. C. Dunford, of South Carolina, in this Fall Term. Last year the Government of the United States, through officers appointed, placed twenty Cherokee Indian girls in this institution to be educated. They are from the East Cherokee Band, of the reservation in North Carolina. The Commencement exercises of Judson College in June last were brilliant and attractive. President Boone is offering to our people now superior advantages for the education of our youth. Elder C. T. Bailey, of Raleigh, preached the Commencement Sermon, and Mr. Richmond Pearson, of Asheville, delivered the annual address. This liberal-hearted gentlemen gave $100.00 toward the work of enclosing the College grounds, which was done with substantial, good plank fencing, in September and August last.

Respectfully submitted, JOSEPH E. CARTER.

The Treasurer's Report was read by brother T. J. Rickman and adopted.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

HENDERSONVILLE, N. C., Oct. 11th, 1884.

To the Henderson County Association:

DEAR BRETHREN:—I beg leave to submit the following as my report for all funds which have come into my hands as Treasurer of the Association:

Oct. 29, 1882,	Received from	W. W. Wells, per J. E. Carter,	-	$ 8 73
" 29,	"	" Finance committee,	- - - -	15 75
Jan. 1, 1883,	"	" Ebenezer church, per E. J. Shipman,		3 40
June 1, "	"	" Salem " " J. A. Gallamore,		2 80
Oct. 29, "	"	" Finance committee,	- - - -	16 30
Dec. 22, "	"	" Salem church, for Foreign Missions,		10 00
	Total,	- - - - - - - - - - - -		$56 98

Jan. 4, 1883,	Paid	Davis Bros. for printing Minutes,	- - - $15 75
" 15,	"	D. Stradley, clerk of Association,	- - - 3 00
Oct. "	"	F. D. McCarthy, clerk of Association,	- - 5 00
Feb. 4, 1884,	"	J. E. Carter, for Foreign Missions,	- - - 10 00
" 15,	"	Jas. D. Davis for printing Minutes,	- - - 20 00
	Total,	- - - - - - - - - - - -	$53 75
October 11.	On hand to balance,	- - - - - - - - -	3 23
			$56 98

J. WILLIAMS, Treasurer.

The committee to whom was referred a part of the report on Sunday-schools, submitted the following report:

Your committee, to whom was referred the consideration of appointing some one in our Association to hold Sunday-school Institutes, as recommended in the report on Sunday-schools, beg leave to submit the following:

First, That the Association carry out the suggestion of the committee on

Sunday-schools. Second, That brother J. J. Orr be appointed. Third, That the churches and pastors heartily co-operate with him in this work.

Respectfully submitted,

S. C. Owen,
E. J. Shipman, } Com.
F. M. Freeman.

Elder G. S. Jones stated to the Association that the Associational Mission Board which was appointed by the Association last year, had had no meeting during the year, and consequently had done nothing. He asked the Association to pardon the indifference of the Board, which was granted, and said board discontinued.

The following report on State of the Churches was read and adopted:

STATE OF THE CHURCHES.

We believe that all the churches represented in this Association are in good working order. Nearly all have good Sabbath Schools, and are pushing forward the cause of our blessed Redeemer in contributing to home and foreign missions. The Baptists are becoming better organized, and as each year rolls around the results are that the ranks of the King Jesus are swelling. Brethren, let us carry on this good work till the gospel is preached to every creature.

There are many churches in this county not represented in this Association. We hope by another year they will all come to the front, remembering that in unity there is strength.

Respectfully submitted,

W. S. Freeman,
J. A. Gallamore, } Com.
F. Banning.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

On motion, the Clerk was allowed $5.00 for his services. Then the following resolution was read by J. S. Rhodes, and adopted:

RESOLUTION.

Resolved. That the churches of this body agree to take quarterly collections for our denominational enterprises. We suggest the following order: October for Ministerial Education; January for Conventional Missions; April for Home Missions; July for Foreign Missions.

Resolved, That if the times and objects above do not suit all the churches, that they take quarterly collections as they choose.

Respectfully submitted, J. S. Rhodes.

On motion a vote of thanks was given to the brethren of Pleasant Hill church for their preparation and entertainment of the Association. It was then ordered that any brother in any of the churches of our Association, in good standing, be allowed, as a

correspondent, to represent this Association in any other during the next year.

It was then announced that Elder J. E. Carter would preach a Missionary Sermon on Sunday following, and a collection be taken for Foreign Missions. The Moderator was also requested to appoint some one or more to represent this Association in the next Western Baptist Convention.

Then adjourned to time and place.

On Sunday Elder J. E. Carter preached from Judges 7:7, and took up a collection for Foreign Missions, amounting to $16.75.

Elder G. S. Jones preached in the afternoon.

J. E. CARTER,
Moderator.

S. C. OWEN,
Clerk.

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CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I.

This body shall be known as the Henderson County Baptist Association.

ARTICLE II.

This body shall consist of the ordained ministers and churches of this county. Others may be admitted for convenience only. Two delegates to represent each church containing twenty-five members or less, and two additional delegates for every other twenty-five members, to be appointed annually by the churches. And in the Minutes there shall not appear in the list of delegates the name of any member who absents himself from the session of the Association without leave of the body.

ARTICLE III.

SEC. 1. The officers of this body shall consist of a Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer and Historian. The Moderator shall be elected annually by ballot, and the other officers as the Association may direct, the election to take place immediately after the reading of church letters and enrolling of delegates.

SEC. 2. The duties of Moderator and Clerk shall be such as those prescribed for those officers in Mell's Parliamentary Practice.

SEC. 3. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive all moneys belonging to this body, and pay them out by order of the same.

SEC. 4. It shall be the duty of the Historian to keep such an historical record as the Association may direct.

ARTICLE IV.

It shall be the object of this body to prosecute within its bounds, and to co-operate with the Western Baptist Convention in so doing, the cause of Home and Foreign Missions, Education, Temperance and Sabbath Schools.

ARTICLE V.

This body shall meet annually according to adjournment.

ARTICLE VI.

Whenever the Minutes of any meeting of the Association are printed, a copy of the Constitution shall be printed with them.

ARTICLE VII.

The standing committees of this body shall consist of Home Missions. Foreign Missions, Education, Periodicals, Sabbath Schools and State of the Churches, which shall be appointed by the Moderator at each annual session with instructions to make reports at the present session. The Moderator shall appoint for the benefit of each session, committees on Finance, Order of Business, Preaching, and Time, Place and stated Services of the next meeting, with such other committees as the body may direct.

ARTICLE VIII.

The form of church letter shall be as follows: Name of church and date of organization; name of members delegated to the Association; time of meeting; name of pastor, and if any change of pastors during the year by death or otherwise, to be noted; name of clerk and his postoffice; names and postoffice addresses of ordained ministers in membership; number baptized; received by letter; restored; dismissed by letter; excluded; dead; number and sex of members; time of prayer-meeting; amount paid for pastor's salary; home missions; foreign missions; education, and the amount contributed for any other benevolent object.

Sunday-school statistics shall be as follows: State whether the school is Baptist or Union; number of volumes in library; number of officers, teachers, and scholars; number of scholars converted during the year; number of church members engaged in Sunday-school; amount paid for support of school; amount paid for Sunday-school missions; amount contributed for other benevolent objects.

ARTICLE IX.

This body shall be governed by the rules of Mell's Parliamentary Practice.

ARTICLE X.

This constitution may be altered or amended by a two-third vote at any regular meeting.

STATISTICS OF THE CHURCHES FOR THE YEAR 1884.

CHURCHES	PASTORS.	CLERKS.	P. OFFICES.	Baptized.	Rec. by Letter.	Restored.	Dismissed.	Excluded.	Died.	Membership.	Pastors' Salary.	Minute Fund.	Foreign Missions.	Home Missions.	Education.
Hendersonville,	J. E. Carter,	T. J. Rickman,	Hendersonville,	17	15	1				141	$700 00	$1 50	$30 00	$28 00	$28 00
French Broad,	S. C. Owen,	J. D. Nelson,	Horse Shoe,		5	1	9		3	51	30 00	1 00	4 60		
Salem,	E. J. Morgan,	J. T. Sales,	Shufordville,	6		2	3		1	90	60 00	2 00		10 00	5 00
Mount Gilead,	S. C. Owen,	J. S. Rhodes,	Mills River,	1	5					55	50 00		5 47		
Mud Creek,	T. Nelson,	J. H. Beck,	Hendersonville,	5	4	1				57	50 00		30 00		
Pleasant Hill,	G. W. Mace,	R. T. Drake,	Hendersonville,	2	6		2			50					
Pleasant Grove, (Mills River)	G. H. Church,	J. L. Whitaker,	Pink Bed,		7		1			38	36 00		5 00	2 50	
Pleasant Grove, (French Br'd)	A. W. Beck,	J. B. Sentell,	Bowman's Bluff,	9	2		2		1	53					
Bear Wallow,	J. W. Wilkie,	J. W. Freeman,	Pump,		2		9	6		96	29 50			15 00	
Boilston,	E. J. Morgan,	J. M. Banning,	Boilston,	2	3		3		3	114	100 00	1 30			1 90
Ebenezer,	S. C. Owen,	J. J. Blythe,	Hendersonville,		2	1	4	2	2	93	30 00	1 00	5 00	75	

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NAMES AND POST OFFICES OF ORDAINED MINISTERS.

J. E. Carter, G. S. Jones, J. B. Boone, S. C. Owen, E. R. Nelson, Hendersonville, N. C.; D. B. Nelson, Horse Shoe; W. J. Wilkie, F. C. Hamrick, Fruitland; John Leverett, Edneyville.

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OFFICERS OF THE ASSOCIATION.

R. A. Freeman, Moderator; S. C. Owen, Clerk; J. S. Rhodes, Treasurer; G. S. Jones, Historian.

ORDER OF BUSINESS ADOPTED BY THE ASSOCIATION IN 1885.

I. Introductory Sermon.
II. Organization.
(1.) Reading church letters and enrolling delegates.
(2.) Election of officers.
III. Invitation to correspondents and visitors.
IV. Admission of new churches.
V. Appointment of committees.
(1) Preaching.
(2) Home Missions.
(3) Foreign Missions.
(4) Education.
(5) Sunday-schools.
(6) Temperance.
(7) Periodicals.
(8) Finance.
(9) Time, Place, Introductory Sermon for next session.
VI. Report of committees.
VII. Historion's Report.
VIII. Treasurer's Report.
IX. Miscellaneous business.
X. Adjournment.

The next Association will be held with the Hooper's Creek church, commencing on Thursday before the 4th Sunday in September, 1886.

PROCEEDINGS.

THURSDAY, September 24, 1885.

THE HENDERSON COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION met in its fourth annual session, with the Mt. Gilead Baptist church. The Introductory sermon was preached by Elder J. B. Boone, from Heb. 12:2. Prayer by Elder G. S. Jones; then adjourned twenty minutes.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association met according to adjournment, and Elder J. E. Carter, the former Moderator, was absent, Dr. R. A. Freeman was appointed Moderator, *pro tem.*

J. B. Boone and T. J. Rickman read letters from the Churches and delegates enrolled, as follows :

Hendersonville.—Elders G. S. Jones, J. B. Boone, J. E. Carter, and brethren T. J. Rickman, J. P. Morgan, N. Buckner and G. C. Briggs.

Salem.—J. A. Gallamore, W. J. Baldwin and J. T. Sales.

Mt. Gilead.—J. M. Ballard, J. M. Gilbert and J. S. Rhodes.

Mud Creek.—Eld. E. R. Nelson and W. F. Robinson.

Pleasant Grove.—T. M. Stuart, John Rickman and M. C. Whitaker.

Bear Wallow.—J. W. Freeman and R. A. Freeman.

Boilston.—A. C. McKinna, J. M. Banning and W. C. Reese.

Ebenezer.—D. C. Allen and John Holbert.

Mills' River.—A. E. Brown and M. D. Barnett.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

Dr. R. A. Freeman was elected Moderator; S. C. Owen, Clerk; J. S. Rhodes, Treasurer, and G. S. Jones, Historian.

Then called for new churches and a letter was presented and read from Mt. Moriah church, with the following delegates : Eld. John Leverett, J. H. Justice, M. S. Justus and M. E. Gilliam. The letter, with the bearers, was received into the body.

An invitation was extended to messengers from other Associa-

tions and Elder T. F. Nelson, from the Carolina Association, was invited to a seat with the body.

APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES.

On Preaching.—The pastor and deacons of Mt. Gilead church.

Home Missions.—Thos. J. Rickman, John Leverett and W. S. Huntley.

Foreign Missions.—A. E. Brown, J. S. Rhodes and N. Buckner.

Education.—S. C. Owen, J. W. Freeman and J. A. Gallamore.

Sunday Schools.—W. F. Robinson, T. F. Nelson and J. T. Sales.

Temperance.—John Justice, M. C. Whitaker and G. S. Jones.

Periodicals.—M. S. Justus and D. C. Allen.

Finance.—T. J. Rickman and M. D. Barnett.

Time, Place and Introductory Sermon.—J. E. Carter, J. N. Youngblood and J. W. Freeman.

State of the Churches.—E. R. Nelson, J. M. Ballard and W. F. Robinson.

As Elder J. E. Carter could not be present for the remaining part of the session, he was given time to make some statements concerning his paper, the *Blue Ridge Baptist.*

On motion, the Association unanimously endorsed the change in the price and the enlargement of the paper.

J. M. Banning, J. E. Carter and J. W. Baldwin, were granted leave of absence for the remainder of the session.

Then adjourned to 9:30, Friday morning. Prayer by J. E. Carter.

FRIDAY, Sept. 25.

The Association met according to adjournment. Religious exercises conducted by S. C. Owen.

The minutes of previous day read and approved.

The Treasurer offered the following report, which was read and adopted.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

HENDERSON COUNTY, N. C., Sept. 24, 1885.

To the Henderson County Association :

DEAR BRETHREN:—I submit the following as my report for all funds which have come into my hands as Treasurer of the Association :

Received of Finance Committee,	$16.77
" " Former Treasurer	3.23
Total,	$20.00

November 29, 1884, Paid S. C. Owen for services as clerk, - - $ 5.00
February 23, 1885, Paid James D. Davis for printing Minutes, - 15.00

Total, - - - - - - - - - - - - - - $20.00

J. P. MORGAN, Treasurer.

The report on Sabbath Schools was read and speeches by J. B. Boone, A. E. Brown, S. C. Owen and T. F. Nelson, then adopted.

REPORT ON SABBATH SCHOOLS.

We, your committee on Sabbath Schools, beg leave to submit the following:

From the reading of the letters from the churches, our hearts were made to rejoice over the good work going on in our churches. But there remains much to be done. Let us, as lovers of the Lord, redouble our energies and gather up all who are out of Sabbath School, both old and young, and teach them the ways of the Lord. We recommend that this Association endorse the combination of the Ministers' and Sabbath School Institutes, entered into some months ago, at Bear Wallow church, and, further recommend, that the churches send delegates to represent their schools in those Institutes.

W. F. ROBINSON, Chm'n.

THE REPORT ON TIME, PLACE AND INTRODUCTORY SERMON

Was read and adopted.

Your committee on Time, Place and Introductory Sermon submit the following:

1st. That the Introductory Sermon be preached by J. E. Carter; W. J. Wilkie, alternate.

2nd. Place: Hooper's Creek

3rd. Time: Thursday before the 4th Sabbath in September 1886.

Respectfully submitted, J. E. CARTER, J. N. YOUNGBLOOD, J. W. FREEMAN. } Com.

The following report on Foreign Missions was read by A. E. Brown.

Your committee on Foreign Missions beg leave to submit the following:

We are glad to know, and to be able to report that our work in Foreign lands is meeting with great success. The Lord is rewarding our missionaries with a great harvest of souls. We are also glad to report that the Churches within our bounds are responding very liberally to the calls for means to carry on this branch of our Christian work. But we must note that as the work enlarges the demand for means increases. We now have missionary stations in South America, China, Africa, Italy and Mexico. We reccommend that every pastor, and church, make an effort to take one collection during the year for Foreign Missions; and, brethren, while we give of our means, let us not forget to pray earnestly for the success of our work in Foreign lands.

A. E. BROWN, J. S. RHODES, N. BUCKNER. } Com.

Speeches by A. E. Brown and J. B. Boone. While the motion for the adoption of the report was pending, the body adjourned for one hour.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The report on Foreign Missions was resumed and delegates made the following pledges for their Churches to be paid during the year :

Hendersonville, $30 00; Boilston, $5 00; Salem, $10 00; Mt. Gilead, $5 00; Mills' River, $5 00; Pleasant Grove, $5 00; Hooper's Creek, $5 00; Bear Wallow, $5 00; Mt. Moriah, (cash by delegates), $5 00; Dr. R. A. Freeman, $2 50; Miss Eliza Taylor, $2 50; Mud Creek, $2 50. Total, $82 50.

The report was then adopted.

Dr. A. C. Carson and Wm. Graves, Presbyterian ministers, and Rev. Wampler, of the M. E. Church, were invited to seats with the body.

The report on Home Missions was read, and after speeches by T. J. Rickman, A. E. Brown, T. F. Nelson and S. C. Owen, that part of the report which suggests the appointment of a Missionary in our Association was referred to a committee of five, viz : S. C. Owen, A. E. Brown, J. S. Rhodes, W. S. Huntley and J. H. Justice. The remainder of the report was referred till the above committee reported.

The following report on Finance was read and adopted :

Your committee on Finance submit the following :
Received for printing Minutes, $14.15. T. J. RICKMAN, M.D. BARNETT. } Com.

NOTE.—A collection was taken and raised the above amount to $18.20.

The report on Periodicals was read and made a special order for Saturday 10 o'clock.

Then adjourned to 9½ Saturday morning. Prayer by J. B. Boone.

SATURDAY, September 26.

The Associatton met according to adjournment. Religious exercises conducted by T. F. Nelson. The minutes of previous day were read and approved.

An invitation was extended to Corresponding Messengers, and Eld. J. E. Morgan, and brother G. B. Carter, were invited to seats from the Buncombe County Association. A. T. Robinson was invited to a seat with the body, as a visitor, from the South Yadkin Association.

The report on the revision of the Constitution was read and referred to the same committee.

The time having arrived for the report on Periodicals, which

was read, and speeches by J. B. Boone, G. C. Briggs and T. F. Nelson. The report was then adopted.

Preaching at 11 oclock, by T. F. Nelson. Prayer by E. J. Morgan.

Then the report on Temperance was read, and remarks by G. S. Jones, then adopted.

TEMPERANCE.

This Association stands firmly committed, by an oft-repeated declaration, to the doctrine of temperate living. Eating and drinking natural food to excess is a species of intemperance to be avoided. To use poisonous and unatural food and drink, such as alcoholic beverages, and all narcotics and stupifying drugs, is not simply an intemperate act, but a down-right suicidal indulgence and worthy of our unreserved condemnation. It is not known to your committee that any of our Churches are afflicted with the sin of drunkeness unrebuked.

JOHN H. JUSTICE,
M. C. WHITAKER
G. S. JONES. } Com.

Then the Historian's report was read and adopted.

HISTORIAN'S REPORT.

This Association hled its last session at Pleasant Hill church, 4 mrles west of Hendersonville, beginning October 9, 1884. Elder J. E. Carter was elected Moderator; Elder S. C. Owen, Secretary; Elder F. M. Jordan preached the opening sermon.

There were eleven churches represented. The meeting was well conducted under the management of its efficient chairman, whose rulings were in harmony with Dr. Mell's Parliamentary Practice.

The interests of Judson College were brought prominently before the body. President Boone made one of his strong, telling speeches on the Educational Report. Attorney T. J. Rickman, editor of the "Blue Ridge Baptist," was present in the interest of that periodical. Moderator Carter preached the Missionary Sermon, on Sabbath. The meeting-house being too small, the congregation assembled in the church-yard grove.

Elder Carter's pastorate of the Hendersonville Baptist church closed about the first of April, 1885. Since that date the church has had no pastor. A good Sunday School, however, under the Superintendency of brother J. Williams, aided by the Faculty of Judson College.

French Broad church has been without a pastor for several months. Here, too, a good Sunday School is kept up through the punctuality and efficiency of Elder D. B. Nelson.

This Association was well represented in the Western Baptist Convention, held at Waynesville, last October.

The National and State elections, in November 1884, passed off quietly in town and county. Our Baptist brethren have credit for their part of the commendable. Thanksgiving day, November 27th, was not observed, religiously,by our churches, generally.

About the 1st. of November, Elder D. B. Nelson retired from the post of assistant Editor of the "Blue Ridge Baptist."

The year 1885 opened with about 125 students at Judson College. The "Bib-

lical Recorder" says: "Pres. Boone is making great progress in infusing the spirit of Education into the Baptist hosts beyond the mountains—the outlook of the college is hopeful."

A Sunday School Institute was held at Mills' River church, Friday, March 6th. This convention was much indebted to Elder W. W. Wells and brother A. E. Brown, for the interest manifested. Bro. Brown was ordained Deacon.

February 12th thermometer six degrees below zero.

February 22nd Elder Carter preached on Temperance, at Hendersonville.

About the 1st of March, 1885, work was resumed on the Spartanburg & Asheville Railroad, connecting Hendersonville and Asheville.

March 16th Bro. J. N. Morgan began to move his Book Store to Asheville.

March 19th editor Rickman retired from the control of the "Blue Ridge Baptist," and on March 31st Elder J. E. Carter became Editor and Proprietor of the paper.

Several of our county churches are associated with the Carolina and Transylvania annual meetings.

Elder James Blythe is, perhaps, the oldest active minister in the county. He is pastor of Refuge and Mt. Moriah—walks 14 miles to his appointments.

Ministers' Institute held at Ebenezer, March 28, discussed some interesting questions. Carter, Boone, J. J. Blythe and Prof. Briggs participating.

Similar meetings have been held at Bear Wallow and Hooper's Creek churches. Mt. Gilead church building is well located, near what was formerly known as Smoky Hollow, and, when completed, will be another pleasing exponent of what willing hands can accomplish.

Mud Creek church house has lately received the carpenter's attention; made more comfortable within, and attractive without.

The Commencement Exercises at Judson College, last June, were pronounced by competent judges, as a step or two in advance of previous occasions of the kind. Elder J. L. Carroll, of Asheville, preached the Annual Sermon; Elder R. T. Vann, of Wake Forest, made the Literary Address. Diplomas in the Business Deprrtment of the college were presented to four graduates.

The discovery of a gold mine in Boilston settlement may, or may not, have a tendency to increase systematic benevolence among our churches—the same is involved in the production of tobacco in this county.

The past year has been one of unusual productiveness in field and garden. May the offerings to the Lord's cause be commensurate, is the prayer of your Historian, G. S. Jones.

Adjourned 45 minutes.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Met according to adjournment. Prayer by D. B. Nelson.

The report on Education was read, and after speeches by S. C. Owen, J. B. Boone, G. S. Jones and G. C. Briggs, the following pledges were made by the delegates for their churches, and individual pledges were taken, to be paid during the year:

Hendersonville, $30 00; Boilston, $5 00; Salem, $5 00; Mt. Gilead, $5 00; Hooper's Creek, $5 00; Mt. Moriah, (cash by John H. Justice), $1 00; Bear Wallow, $5 00; Mrs. Harrison Graves, cash,

$1 50; J. P. Holbert, 50 cts.; Miss L. A. Taylor, 50 cts.; Jno. Rickman, D. C. Allen, J. M. Gilbert, S. A. Jones, W. B. Bishop, R. Taylor and M. E. Taylor, $1 co each.

The report was then adopted.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

To say that the facilities for education are on the increase, is but to mention a fact which every public-spirited man knows. Under the judicious management of Prof. Brown, our county Superintendent of Public Instruction, in holding Teachers' Institutes, etc., the teachers are becoming more efficient and the schools steadily growing in interest. But we would make special mention of Judson College, our own institution, situated at Hendersonville. Under the judicious management of its President, Elder J. B. Boone, with his splendid selection of teachers, it affords facilities for education not equalled anywhere in Western North Carolina. Brethren, it is our College, and we should sustain it by our patronage. We ought to sustain it for the sake of our denomination; for the sake of our children, whose well-being depend on the education we give them; for the sake of the old veterans of the cross who have stood the storm in rearing its granate walls, many of whom have fallen and are no more.

Again: We would call special attention to the advantages offered ministerial students. Prof. Boone gives all who come well recommended from their churches their tuition, and we have a Board of Education, located at Hendersonville, who look after the interest of beneficiaries. We believe that the hope of our denomination depends on the efficiency of preachers. Therefore, we would recommend that the delegates, now present, make pledges for their churches to be paid during the year.

S. C. Owen,
J. W. Freeman,
J. A. Gallamore. } Com.

The report on State of the Churches was read and adopted.

STATE OF THE CHURCHES.

We believe that all the Churches represented in this Association are generally in good working order. Nearly all have good Sabbath Schools, and are generally contributing to Home and Foreign Missions, and Education. Several churches in this Association have no pastors, and a great many in this county have not yet joined our Association; but we hope the time is not far distant when they will fall in ranks; remembering that in unity there is strength.

E. R. Nelson,
W. F. Robinson,
J. M. Ballard. } Com.

The second report on Home Missions was read and rejected. Then the former report was read and after speeches by D. B. Nelson and J. B. Boone, it was adopted.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

Your committee on Home Missions beg leave to report that so far as they are able to learn, but little has been done within the bounds of this Association during this year for the cause of Home Missions. We are glad, however, that within the bounds of the west, a number of missionaries have been employed in the home work. We are of the opinion that an active missionary could do a great work within the bounds of this Association in building up waste and

destitute places. It appears that many of the Churches are even without pastors, and there seems to be a great want of interest in the Lord's cause. Let our prayers be: "Preach the Gospel to every creature."

T. J. RICKMAN,
JOHN LEVERETT,
W. S. HUNTLY. } Com.

The committee on the revision of the Constitution reported. Report rejected.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

Five Dollars was given to the Clerk for his services, and he was instructed to use the remainder in the Treasury for printing Minutes.

The following resolutions were adopted :

RESOLVED, That we strike out that part of the Constitution which requires a committee on "State of the Churches."

RESOLVED, That the Henderson County Association appoint five messengers of correspondence and fraternal greetings to the Carolina Association, and through them express a willingness to co-operate in the matter of uniting the Churches in this county in one Association. Committee are as follows : D. B. Nelson, G. S. Jones, S. G. Owen, J. H. Justice and J. M. Ballard.

RESOLVED, That this body tender a vote of thanks to the brethren and friends of Mt. Gilead church for their hospitable entertainment of the Association.

Then adjourned to time and place.

R. A. FREEMAN, MOD.

S. C. OWEN, Cl'k.

Sunday morning the Association met in a Sabbath School mass-meeting, and had several interesting speeches. At 11 o'clock J. B. Boone preached a Missionary Sermon, after which a collection was taken for Missions amounting to $6 22. G. S. Jones preached at 2 o'clock.

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CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I.

This body shall be known as the Henderson County Baptist Association.

ARTICLE II.

This body shall consist of the ordained ministers and churches of this county. Others may be admitted for convenience only. Two delegates to represent each church containing twenty-five members or less, and two additional delegates for every other twenty-five members, to be appointed annually by the churches. And in the Minutes there shall not appear in the list of delegates the name of any member who absents himself from the session of the Association without leave of the body.

ARTICLE III.

SEC. 1. The officers of this body shall consist of a Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer and Historian. The Moderator shall be elected annually by ballot, and the other officers as the Association may direct, the election to take place immediately after the reading of church letters and enrolling of delegates.

SEC. 2. The duties of Moderator and Clerk shall be such as those prescribed for those officers in Mell's Parliamentary Practice.

SEC. 3. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive all moneys belonging to this body. and pay them out by order of the same.

SEC. 4. It shall be the duty of the Historian to keep such an historical record as the Association may direct.

ARTICLE IV.

It shall be the object of this body to prosecute within its bounds, and to cooperate with the Western Baptist Convention in so doing, the cause of Home and Foreign Missions, Education, Temperance and Sabbath Schools.

ARTICLE V.

This body shall meet annually according to adjournment.

ARTICLE VI.

Whenever the Minutes of any meeting of the Association are printed a copy of the Constitution shall be printed with them.

ARTICLE VII.

The standing committees of this body shall consist of Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Education, Periodicals and Sabbath Schools, which shall be appointed by the Moderator at each annual session with instructions to make reports at the present session. The Moderator shall appoint for the benefit of each session, committees on Finance, Order of Business, Preaching, and Time, Place and stated Services of the next meeting, with such other committees as the body may direct.

ARTICLE VIII.

The form of church letter shall be as follows: Name of church and date of organization; name of members delegated to the Association; time of meeting; name of pastor, and if any change of pastors during the year by death or otherwise, to be noted; name of clerk and his postoffice; names and postoffice addresses of ordained ministers in membership; number baptized; received by letter; restored; dismissed by letter; excluded; dead; number and sex of members; time of prayer-meeting; amount paid for pastor's salary; home missions; foreign missions; education, and the amount contributed for any other benevolent object.

Sunday-school statistics shall be as follows: State whether the school is Baptist or Union; number of volumes in library; number of officers, teachers, and scholars; number of scholars converted during the year; number of church members engaged in Sunday-school; amount paid for support of school; amount paid for Sunday-school missions; amount contributed for other benevolent objects.

ARTICLE IX.

This body shall be governed by the rules of Mell's Parliamentary Practice.

ARTICLE X.

This constitution may be altered or amended by a two-third vote at any regular meeting.

STATISTICS OF THE CHURCHES FOR THE YEAR 1885.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	CLERKS.	P. OFFICES.	Baptized.	Rec. by Letter.	Restored.	Dismissed.	Excluded.	Died.	Membership.	Pastors' Salary.	Minute Fund.	Foreign Missions.	Home Missions.	Education.	Church Building.	Other Expenses.	When Constituted
Hendersonville,		G. C. Briggs,	Hendersonville,		6		14			127	$	$2 00	$29 00	$22 51	$25 00	$	$40 67	1844
Salem,	E. J. Morgan,	J. T. Sales,	Shufordville,		3		1		1	89	60 00	2 00	10 00	5 00	5 00		49 00	1838
Mt. Gilead,	S. C. Owen,	J. S. Rhodes,	Mill's River,	17	8		2		2	76	83 00	1 20	4 50		6 47	4 60	5 00	1883
Mud Creek,	T. F. Nelson,	J. W. Beck,	Hendersonville,		11		4	2	1	62	38 60	1 50			5 00	60	5 00	
Pleasant Grove,	S. C. Owen,	J. L. Whitaker,	Pink Bed,	1	1		3			38	37 00	1 00	5 00	5 00	5 00		7 50	1879
Bear Wallow,	W. J. Wilkie,	W. J. Freeman,	Pump,	13	4	5	22	2		115	60 00	1 00	5 00				23 70	1868
Mill's River,	S. C. Owen,	M. L. Underw'd	Pink Bed,		7		3	3		69	50 00	1 50		5 15		2 50	5 00	1835
Boilston,	S. C. Owen,	J. M. Banning,	Boilston,	17	3		4	1	2	127		75	1 65	1 65			9 50	1861
Hooper's Creek,	John Leverett,	J. N. Youngbl'd	Shufordville,	5	1		1			65		1 00						
Mt. Moriah,	James Blythe,	S. M. Nanney,	Edneyville,							140								
Ebenezer,	W. J. Wilkie,	J. J. Blythe,	Hendersonville,					1	1	91			2 25		2 50			
French Broad,*		J. D. Nelson,	Horse Shoe,							51								1789

*Not represented.

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NAMES AND POSTOFFICES OF ORDAINED MINISTERS.

J. B. Boone. G. S Jones, E. R. Nelson, Hendersonville, N. C.; D. B. Nelson, Horse Shoe; W. J. Wilkie, F. C. Hamrick, Fruitland; John Liverett, Edneyville; S. C. Owen, G. K. Moore, Gypsy.

Officers of the Association.—D. B. Nelson, Moderator; S. C. Owen, Clerk; J. S. Rhodes, Treasurer; G. S. Jones, Historian.

ASSOCIATIONAL BOARDS.

Missions.—J. H. Freeman, J. S. Rhodes and J. A. Gallamore.

Sunday Schools.—A. E. Brown, R. A. Freeman and M. S. Justus.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

I. Introductory Sermon.
II. Organization.
(1.) Reading church letters and enrolling delegates.
(2) Election of officers.
III. Invitation to correspondents and visitors.
IV. Admission of new churches.
V. Appointment of committees.
(1) Preaching.
(2) Home Missions.
(3) Foreign Missions.
(4) Education.
(5) Sunday Schools.
(6) Temperance.
(7) Periodicals.
(8) Finance.
(9) Time, Place. Introductory Sermon for next session.
VI. Report of committees.
VII. Historian's Report.
VIII. Treasurer's Report.
IX. Miscellaneous business.
X. Adjournment.

PROCEEDINGS.

THURSDAY. September 23, 1886.

THE HENDERSON COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION met in its fifth Annual Session with the Hooper's Creek Baptist Church.

The Introductory sermon was preached by Elder J. E. Carter, from the words, "Ye men of Galilee, why stand ye gazing up into heaven? This same Jesus, who is taken up from you into heaven, shall so come in like manner as ye have seen him go into heaven." (Acts 1:11.)

Prayer by Elder D. B. Nelson.

Then adjourned 30 minutes.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Dr. R. A. Freeman, the former Moderator, called the body to order. A. E. Brown and G. S. Jones read letters from the following churches and delegates enrolled.

Hendersonville.—Elder G. S. Jones, Prof. W. A. G. Brown and Prof. J. C. C. Dunford.

Boilston.—Thomas E. McKinna.

Salem.—J. A. Gallamore, W. J. Baldwin and R. T. Tow.

Mills River.—A E Brown and S. C. Sitton.

Mt. Gilead.—Elder S. C. Owen, J. S. Rhodes, J. H. Jackson and J. L. Wolf.

Pleasant Grove.—John Rickman, D. B. Anders and M. C. Whitaker.

Mud Creek.—J. D. Nelson and J. M. Corn.

Bear Wallow.—B. E. Grant, J. H. Freeman, R. A. Freeman and W. J. Wilkie.

Mt. Moriah.—Elder John Liverett, M. S. Justus, G. W. Brown, J. H. Justice, M. E. Gilliam and S. B. Nanney.

Ebenezer.—John Collins, A. Gallamore and John Holbert.

French Broad.—Elder D. B. Nelson, Preston Hawkins and Richard Taylor.

Broad River.—W. B. Searcy and D. L Clements.

Hooper's Creek.—J. N. Youngblood, Wm. Maxwell and J. M. Gallamore.

By order of the Association, Elder D. B. Nelson's name was inserted in the list of delegates from French Broad.

M. S. Justus and J. B. Freeman were appointed to receive and count votes and the Association was organized by electing Elder

D. B. Nelson. Moderator. S. C. Owen was re-elected Clerk, J. S. Rhodes was re-elected Treasurer and Elder G. S. Jones was re-elected Historian.

The following committees were appointed:

Preaching.—Elder J. W. Wilkie and the delegates of Hooper's Creek church.

Home Missions.—S. C. Owen, John Leverett and J. D. Nelson.

Foreign Missions.—G. S. Jones, R. A. Freeman and J. A. Gallamore.

Education.—Frof. W. A. G. Brown, M. S. Justus and J. W. Wilkie.

Sunday Schools.—A. E. Brown, Preston Hawkins and D. L. Clements.

Temperance.—R. A. Freeman, S. C. Sitton and J. N. Youngblood.

Periodicals.—J. H. Freeman, R. T. Tow and Richard Taylor.

Finance.—M. S. Justus, John Rickman and J. M. Corn.

Time, Place and Introductory Sermon.—S. B. Nanney, W. B. Searcy and T. E. McKinna.

A letter was read from Elders G. W. Mace and J. L. Brookshier concerning the consolidation of the Henderson County and Carolina Associations, whereupon Friday, 2:30 p. m., was set apart to hear the report of a committee of correspondence appointed at the last annual session of this body to negotiate with the Carolina Association for a consolidation of the two bodies.

Corresponding Messengers and visitors were called for and P. J. M. Osborne, from the Rappahannock Association, Va, was invited to a seat with the body.

Then adjourned to 9 o'clock Friday morning.

FRIDAY, September 24.

Praise service was conducted 30 minutes by Elder John Liverett. Then read and approved minutes of previous day.

Elder W. S. Huntley was invited to a seat with the body.

A letter was presented by —— and —— as delegates from Liberty church and received into the Association.

The report on Home Missions was read and remarks by S. C. Owen and J. H. Freeman. The hour having arrived for preaching the business was suspended and preaching by Elder S. C. Owen. Then adjourned one hour.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The report on Home Missions was resumed and remarks by P. J. M. Osborne, L. J. Ledbetter, D. L. Clements. The report was then adopted and the delegates made the following pledges for

their churches to be paid during the next year for Associational Missions:

Hendersonville, $30.00; Salem, $5.00; Mills River, $2.50; Mt. Gilead, $3 75; Pleasant Grove, $2.50; Mt. Moriah, $10.00; Ebenezer, $2.50; French Broad, $2 50; Broad River, $2.50; Liberty, cash, $1.00, by D. B Nelson; Hooper's Creek, $2 50; J. H. Justice, $5.00; Boilston, $3.75; Mud Creek, $2.50. Total $76.00.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

Our Home Mission Board, located at Atlanta, Ga., is doing a work worthy of our prayers, sympathies and support. About $12,5000 were raised and expended in the Southern States and Cuba last year, ending May last. While Cuba is a small part of its field, yet the work done there in the last eight months more than a thousand times pays for all the money expended by the Board.

CONVENTIONAL MISSIONS.

Our Board, located at Asheville, has in Alleghany Elder T. M. Honeycutt, in Cherokee Elder Lawing—the two extra counties in our Convention. These, with many others in the interior, have accomplished a great work during this year. But brethren, we have fallen far short of our duty. There are 14 churches in this Association, with a membership of about 1200, and only $31.56 paid for Home Missions. This is not 2½ cts. per member. Of this amount Bear Wallow paid $20.60, leaving $10.94 paid by the other thirteen churches. Brethren, something is wrong among us. Is it not for the want of system? We suggest that the delegates now present make pledges for their churches to be paid during the incoming year for Home Missions. Brethren, this work must go on! We cannot say NO when the Great Head of the church says "GO."

The report on Sunday Schools was read and after remarks by A. E. Brown, D. B. Nelson, S. C. Owen, R. A. Freeman and L. J. Ledbetter it was recommitted and D. B. Nelson and R. A. Freeman were added to the committee.

The time for the special order of business having arrived, Elder D. B. Nelson submitted the following report:

Your committee, appointed to visit the Carolina Association, beg leave to submit the following:

Brethren, according to appointment some of the members of your committee visited the Carolina Association at their annual session of 1885, and were very cordially received. The ministers and brethren expressed a willingness to adopt measures to secure, not only the co-operation of the churches within our bounds, but if found practicable to unite the two bodies.

D. B. NELSON, Chm'n.

Elder G. S. Jones read the following resolution from a joint meeting of the Carolina Union and Henderson County Institute:

WHEREAS, It is desirable to effect an organic Associational Union among the churches comprising the Henderson County and the Carolina Baptist Associations as speedily as possible, therefore

RESOLVED, That the members of this body now appoint a committee composed of one member from each church here represented, in addition to the

ministers belonging to this body, to hold themselves in readiness to respond to the call for a joint conference with a similar committee from the Carolina Association, authorized to consummate the Union of said two Associational bodies. And, furthermore, that said joint conference have authority to rearrange, if need be, any annual appointments, such as Time, Place and Introductory sermon, ect., for the next regular Associational meeting in the year 1887. To this joint conference meeting, it is hereby agreed to refer all matters of unfinished business and Constitutional changes, including any and all provisions that may be deemed necessary to the work of perfecting such Associational Union. It is furthermore agreed, that the appointment of time and place for the said committees in joint conference be nade by the Carolina Association in their approaching session. And, furthermore

RESOLVED, That in the event of a failure to consummate the said Associational Union, then the churches of this body be hereby advised to delegate, as heretofore, to the Time and Place to which this body shall stand conditionally adjourned. G. S. JONES.

The committee as provided for in the above resolution was appointed as follows:

Boilston, J. J. Orr; Mills River, A. E. Brown; Pleasant Grove, John Rickman; Mt Gilead, J. S. Rhodes; Salem, J. A. Gallamore; Hooper's Creek, James Garren; French Broad, Richard Taylor; Hendersonville, J. Williams; Ebenezer, J. J. Blythe; Mt. Moriah, J. H. Justice; Liberty, L J. Ledbetter; Bear Wallow, J. H. Freeman; Broad River, D. L. Clements; Mud Creek, J D. Nelson.

The report on Periodicals was read and made a special order for 7 o'clock at night, then adjourned.

NIGHT SESSION.

The body met according to adjournment; prayer by Elder G. S Jones The report on Periodicals was resumed and after remarks by J. H. Freeman, L. J Ledbetter, B E Grant, J. H. Justice, Prof. W. A G. Brown and W. J. Wilkie, the report was amended by inserting the name of the *Foreign Mission Journal*, then adopted.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

Dear brethren of Henderson County Association:—Your committee on Periodicals truly think that of the many Periodicals afloat in this our beloved country, that we should first of all patronize the "Western N. C. Baptist," edited by Elder J. E. Carter at Asheville, N. C. We think it is sound in doctrine and well adapted to the upbuilding of our denomination. It is our home paper, a medium through which we can understand each other and press forward the work of our denomination. We would recommend all our brethren who possibly can to take this paper. It is a great educator for our children in the way of righteousness. It will help us to co-operate with each other in all our church and Sunday School work. We would, next to our own paper, recommend the "Biblical Recorder," our State journal, an able and sound paper, published at Raleigh, N. C. We also recommend "The Foreign Mission Journal," published at Richmond, Va., and can be had for 35 cts. per annum—clubs of five an upward. 25 cts. to one address.

J. H. FREEMAN, Chm'n.

The report on Temperance was read and after speeches by R. A. Freeman, P. J M Osborne, W. J. Wilkie, Prof. W. A. G. Brown, S. C. Owen and L. J. Ledbetter it was adopted.

TEMPERANCE.

Your committee is glad to report a greater interest in this matter than ever before. A strong, healthy growing sentiment, thank God, begins to pervade our land and country in regard to the sin of intemperance. The term Temperance as used in the Scriptures does not apply to the use of intoxicants only, but that we should "be circumspect in all things." In 1 Cor. 9:25, when reference is had to the Olympic games, the sacred writer says: "And every man that striveth for the mastery is temperate in all things." But brethren, in 1 Cor. 6:10, it is emphatically declared that drunkards shall not inherit the kingdom of God. Now by this authority we say, a man cannot be a drunkard and a Christian at the same time. To be a drunkard keeps one out of the kingdom of God, and to be a Christian keeps one out of the kingdom of the Devil. In view of these facts, we say no body of Christians can longer remain inactive in regard to this great evil which so effectually blocks our progress religiously and otherwise. We say it is time for all ecclsiastical bodies to take their fingers from oft their mouths and speak in language not to be misunderstood We say the Baptists, more particularly, should be outspoken now, as we have hitherto been twitted or upbraided, not only for tardiness but looseness and actual indulgence. We say to this body that we believe it ought to pass resolutions condemnatory of making, vending, or using ardent spirits, either to any extent or by any person, that we ought to condemn it in all places of society. We ought to publish to the world, from hence, resolutions which shall say plainly, we will no longer give aid or comfort to any man or measre, socially, politically or religiously, who is not a prohibitionist in the truest sense of the word. Brethren, we are to-night not to look upon it, to abstain from all appearance of evil. Surely we cannot do otherwise and clear our skirts. R. A. FREEMAN, Chm'n.

The following Querry, sent to this body from a joint meeting of the Carolina Union and Henderson County Institute, were read by Elder G. S. Jones.

Should the present plan of prohibiting intemperance in our county and country, under the "Local Option" suffrage, meet the approbation of our Baptist church membership? Unanimously answered, "YES."

Then adjourned to 9 a m., Saturday.

SATURDAY, September 25.

The body met according to adjournment. Praise service conducted by J. H. Freeman. The minutes of yesterday was read and corrected. The report on Foreign Missions was read and remarks by G. S. Jones, P. J M. Osborne, W J. Wilkie. S. C. Owen, R. A. Freeman, J. H. Freeman and L. J. Ledbetter. The churches made the following pledges for Foreign Missions to be paid during the year:

Boilston, $3 75; Mills River, $5 00; Pleasant Grove, 2.50; Mt. Gilead, 3.75; Salem, 5.00; Hendersonville, 20.00; French Broad, 2.50; Hooper's Creek, 2.50; Bear Wallow, 5.00; Ebenezer, 2.50;

Liberty, 1.00, by L. J. Ledbetter; Mud Creek, 2.50; Broad River, 2 00, by the delegates. Total $58.00.

The report was then adopted.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Our Southern Baptist Convention has made a decided advance in this department of Christian work within the past few years. Our brethren are holding 48 stations with a Missionary force of 110, and an increase of about 1500 in church membership. Reports from Africa show an ingathering of 200 Bible pupils in 6 stations.

Fifteen stations in Europe, including Rome, Milan, Venice, Balogna, Naples, Island of Sardinia, have a membership of about 280 in Sunday School. English and American Baptists are permanently at work in China—where our 60 devoted men and women are laboring in Tung Chow, Shanghai, and Canton Missions—20 stations with a church force of 800; Sunday School pupils about 500.

Brazilian Missions, in South America, are also encouraging—three stations being occupied; 100 church members.

Algeria is now ready for the Gospel of Christ. Our English brethren have a small force at work in that province. Five Americans and seven native Missionaries are preaching in the Republic of Mexico. This is a new field, and perhaps the most hopeful of all our Foreign work. The city of Saltillo is the centre of these stations. Baptisms occur about every month. A Baptist newspaper is published at Saltillo, "El Heraldo Mexicano," whose proceeds or income are devoted to the support in part of one of these Mission schools.

The closing years of the 19th century are big with wonderous changes among the Nations—preparing for the universal reign of the "King of Zion."

G. S. Jones. Chm'n.

A committee of three, viz: G. S. Jones, J. H. Justice and J. S. Rhodes was appointed to get up a plan for raising funds or pledges during the next year in our churches, which submitted the following report:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE.

Each church is requested to arrange a list of active members. Place opposite the name of each male member—say 50 cts. Each female—say 25 cts., to be paid to the Treasurer sometime between the 1st of January and 1st of August annually. This fund shall be called a membership annuity or church revenue, and the same shall be held subject to the use of the church in making contributions to the several objects provided by the Association through the channel of the Western Baptist Convention.

Respectfully, G. S. Jones, Chm'n.

The body took recess for one hour.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Business was resumed and the following report on Education was read by Prof. W. A. G. Brown:

Your committee think the people have reason to congratulate themselves on the educational outlook within the bounds of this Association. Since the last session of this body Judson College closed a very successful year, and has just entered upon the work of another year with encouraging prospects. This in-

stitution opened its first session in 1879, under the most unpromising circumstances that, perhaps, ever beclouded the opening of any similar institution—only two students matriculating the first day, both of this county. Its growth since, however, has been steady, from year to year, both in efficiency and appreciation of the public. This enterprise being distinctively Baptistic, both in its origin and control, commends itself in a peculiar manner to the sympathies and patronage of the great Baptist fraternity of this country.

The time is upon us, with all that this expression means, when the Baptists, if they expect longer to hold their relative standing in the forward rush and sharp competition of the age, must raise higher and unfurl more broadly the standard of what is termed an educated ministry. As a contribution to the realization of this grand desideratum, President Boone is now giving free tuition to all students seeking an education preparatory to the ministerial work. This amounts, on his part, to contributing two to five hundred dollars a year. While this is a burden voluntarily assumed by him, there is, nevertheless, in some reflecting minds, the notion that the manner of aiding in this matter has not yet taken the form it shall take, to equalize the burden and prove most effective in accomplishing the object. One way of facilitating the matter would be the creation of a Loan Fund, to be let to young men at reasonable rate of interest for a specificd time, and then be returned to the general fund. While this body would assume no other attitude in regard to the public schools than to express approval of the system as the most efficient means of bringing the benefits of an elementary education within the reach of a very large majority of the youth of our land, it is eminently proper for us, as Christian citizens and patrons of them, to emphasize such approval by commendatory notice. While these schools have by no means attained to the ideal standard, it is gratifying to note a very manifest improvement from year to year, both in the management of them and in the work accomplished by them. By a system of Teacher's Institutes, a wholesome spirit of improvement has been awakened among teachers, which is steadily elevating the standard of qualifications for the work of teaching. Upon the judicious fostering of these primary schools must depend in large measure the success and efficiency of the schools of higher grade.

A laudable spirit of improvement in school buildings is exhibiting itself in many localities, so that in a few years, at most, all our schools are likely to be in the enjoyment of comforts of convenient houses. A number of such buildings are being erected the present year, among which is an additional one at Liberty, looking to the establishment ot a grammar and high school at that place.

W. A. G. Brown, Chm'n.

A collection amounting to $4.25 cash, was taken for the Board of Education to pay off arearage of the past year.

The report was then adopted.

The report on Sunday Schools was read as follows:

Your committee is glad to be able to report flatteringly upon this branch of our work. All our churches have flourishing Sunday Schools which is a very encouraging feature of the work. But the pressing necessity of the present, is not more Snnday Schools, but better Sunday Schools. The time is at hand when the great object of Sunday Schools—religious education—must be more fully attained. In order to do this our teachers must be made more proficient in their work of teaching.

Normal Institutes are held for the better qualifying of our secular teachers. Why not adopt a similar plan for training and qualifying our Sunday School teachers, that they may be better able to inculcate religious truths in the minds of our increasing host of pupils? We urge that this Association set on foot some plan by which Normal Sunday School Institutes may be held.

Respectfully submitted,

A. E. Brown, Chm'n.

The latter part of this report was recommitted with an addition to the committee and reported as follows:

Your committee, to which was referred the suggestion in the report of the committee on Sunday Schools, submit the following. We recommend that this Association create a Sunday School Board and a County Sunday School Superintendent, to be elected by said Board. It shall be the duty of this Board to arrange for the holding of Normal Sunday School Institutes in the bounds of this Association and render all necessary aid to County Superintendent of Sunday Schools in his work. It shall be the duty of the County Superintendent of Sunday Schools to conduct Normal Sunday School Institutes, so often as the Board may direct and to exercise a supervision of the Sunday School work within the bounds of this Association. The Sunday School Board shall report annually to this Association the progress of the work intrusted to its charge.

A. E. Brown,
D. B. Nelson, } Com.
R. A. Freeman,

Both of these reports were adopted. (See first page for Sunday School Board.)

The following reports were read and adopted.

FINANCE

Your committee of Finance beg leave to submit the following:

Received for printing minutes $15.75.

M. S. Justus, Chm'n.

TIME, PLACE, INTRODUCTORY SERMON.

Your committee beg leave to submit the following:

Time.—Thursday before the 4th Sabbath in September, 1887. Place.—Bear Wallow. Introductory.—Elder J. B. Boone; Elder S. C. Owen alternate.

S. B. Nanney, Chm'n.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Received of last Association for Foreign Missions,	$14.50
Home Missions,	6.22
Minute Fund,	18.20
Education,	7.90
Mills River for Foreign Missions, by Eld. S. C. Owen, Aug. 10th,	5.00
Boilston for Home Missions, March 1st,	11.12
Mt. Gilead for Home Missions, June 1st,	3.15
Total,	$56.09
Paid to C. E. Lee, Treasurer Western Baptist Convention, October 14th, for Foreign Missions,	$14.50
Home, "	6.22
To James D. Davis for printing minutes, November 13,	13.20
To G. C. Briggs, Treasurer of Board of Education, March 16th,	6.90
To S. C. Owen for services as Clerk,	5.00
Total paid out,	$45.82
Balance on hand,	10.27

J. S. Rhodes, Treas.

HISTORIAN'S REPORT.

Thanks to our Heavenly Father for temporal supplies and freedom from afflictions and epidemics in our Associational territory. Our country is still the Summer home of the health seeker, and it is worthy of note that during the past season an increased number of visitors enjoyed the benefits of our mountain climate. There is evidently an onward move among our common schools in Henderson County. Better preparation on the part of teachers—better school houses—showing internally and externally a higher appreciation of physical comfort—all of which is a source of gratification to the friends and promoters of mental training.

To increase the facilities for our educational work at Judson College, quite a desirable addition to the material value of said property has been secured by the Board of Directors. As a leading interest in our midst, the College now invites an increased number of students, whose welfare, in all respects, will be carefully guarded under the supervision of President Boone and his efficient corps of teachers.

Many of our churches have had occasion to bless the Lord for the fruits of revival meetings, in which the workers in Sunday Schools have seen the pleasure of the Lord resting upon their labors—a large ingathering of happy young souls.

It is specially noteworthy, that since the first of July the Local Option laws have been in force in our county town, prohibiting the sale of spirituous liquors to this date. The community has not been seriously disturbed by any species of disorder. As a place of resort in summer, our town has not suffered by the Prohibition vote as the records of the past summer fully show.

The indications are quite hopeful as regards the unity of Associational work among the Churches in the territory now occupied by the Henderson County and the Carolina Association. To effect this desirable object, within the incoming year, will be richly worth the effort of all our churches.

Respectfully submitted, G. S. JONES.

Hendersonville, N. C., September 23, 1886.

CORRESPONDING MESSENGERS TO OTHER ASSOCIATIONS.

R. A. Ereeman, J. H. Freeman and J. W. Wilkie, to Green River; A. E Brown, B E. Grant and J. M. Corn, to Buncombe County; S. Whitaker, to Transylvania; M. S. Justus and Prof. Brown, to the Carolina.

By motion it was ordered that any member of this Association being present at the meeting of any similar body, be permitted to offer himself as a Corresponding Messenger.

The following resolutions were adopted:

RESOLVED, That the Constitution be amended so as to read, and when expedient to co-operate with the Western Baptist Convention, &c., inserting the words, "when expedient." D. B. NELSON.

RESOLVED, That this body instruct the Clerk of this Association to withhold the publication of the minutes of the present session till after the consolidation of this and the Carolina Association (provided such a meeting shall be held) and that he and the Clerk of the Carolina Association, together with the Clerk of the forthcoming Association, compile the minutes from the manuscripts of the three meetings, provided it meets the approbation of and is so ordered by the Carolina Association.

S. C. OWEN.

RESOLVED, That this body appoint a committee to get up a form of an Associational Church Letter at the expense of the Association.

S. C. OWEN.

S. C. Owen was appointed.

RESOLVED, That we strike out Conventional Missions on pledges for next year and insert Associational Missions, and instruct the Churches to send their pledges for next year to our Treasurer, J. S. Rhodes, Mills River, N. C.

D. B. NELSON.

RESOLVED, That this body extend a vote of thanks to the brethren and friends of this immediate vicinity for the hospitable manner in which they have entertained this Association.

R. A. FREEMAN.

Then adjourned to 9 a. m. Sunday.

Met Sunday morning in a Sunday School Mass-meeting and quite a number made speeches.

A collection amounting to $5.18, was taken for the Sunday School Board and Hooper's Creek church was allowed a representation in the Western Baptist Convention on this collection.

Preaching at 11 o'clock by S. C. Owen, and at close of sermon a collection, amounting to $6.78, was taken for Foreign and Home Missions and A. E. Brown was appointed to represent this Association in the next session of the Western Baptist Convention on this collection.

Preaching at 2 o'clock by P. J. M. Osborne, and then adjourned to meet at Time and Place, provided the Henderson County and Carolina Associations do not consolidate. The two aforesaid united November 5th, 1886. (See appendix in this minute.

D. B. NELSON,
Moderator.

S. C. OWEN, Clerk.

Mills River sent the following pledges to the Association to be paid during the year:

	For'gn Miss.,	$5.00;	Home Miss.,	$2.50;	Ed.;	$2.50
Boilston,	"	3.75;	"	3.75;	"	3.75
Pleasant Grove,	"	2.50;	S. S. & B. B.	2.50;	"	2.50
Mt. Gilead,	"	2.50;	"	"	2.50;	"	2.50
Salem,	"	5.00;	"	"	5.00;	"	5.00

Sunday School and Bible Board, $5.00. Also Mt. Gilead, $2.50 for Sunday School Board.

STATISTICS OF THE CHURCHES FOR 1886.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	CLERKS.	P. OFFICES.	Baptized.	Rec. by Letter.	Restored.	Dismissed.	Excluded.	Died.	Membership.	Pastor's Salary.	Minute Fund.	Foreign Miss'ns	Home Missions.	Education.	Other Expenses	When Constit'd
Hendersonville,	J. B. Boone,	G. C. Briggs,	Hendersonville,	23	4	1	17	1	.	132	$ 5 00	$2 00	.....	.....	$40 75	$121 05	1844
Salem,	D. B. Nelson,	J. T. Sales,	Shufordville,	1	4	2	2	6	.	86	60 00	2 25	.....	$4 00	5 00	25 45	1838
Mt. Gilead,	S. C. Owen,	J. S. Rhodes,	Mills River,	.	13	.	4	.	.	85	100 00	.....	$3 15	.....	2 60	102 96	1883
Mills River,	S. C. Owen,	M. L. Underwood	Pink Bed,	9	1	2	4	2	1	76	100 00	1 00	5 00	.....	5 20	20 00	1835
Pleasant Grove,	S. C. Owen,	J. L. Whitaker,	Pink Bed,	11	.	3	.	.	.	51	75 00	1 00	5 00	1 92	2 50	9 80	1879
Boilston,	S. C. Owen,	A. C. McKinna,	Clotho,	.	1	.	6	3	2	113	100 00	75	5 00	2 92	5 00	74 00	1861
Mud Creek,	T. F. Nelson,	J. H. Beck,	Hendersonville,	.	1	1	10	1	.	50	27 00	.....	.....	2 50	.....	1 00	....
French Broad,	B. P. Robertson,	J. C. Morgan,	Hendersonville,	.	4	.	10	.	4	45	50 00	.....	3 75	.....	.....	5 00	1789
Ebenezer,	W. J. Wilkie,	J. J. Blythe,	Hendersonville,	2	4	.	2	.	.	92	.....	1 10	.....	1 20	.....	5 00	....
Hooper's Creek,	W. J. Wilkie,	J. N. Youngblo'd	Shufordville,	.	.	.	1	6	1	58	.....	1 00	.....	5 00	5 00	.....	....
Bear Wallow,	W. J. Wilkie,	J. W. Freeman,	Pump,	.	5	1	7	1	.	114	26 75	.....	20 62	20 62	.....	12 25	1868
Liberty,	F. C. Hamrick,	J. O. Wall,	.....	7	9	1	.	.	1	93	.....	1 00	.....	.....	.....	33 00	1848
Mt. Moriah,	James Blythe,	S. B. Nanney,	Edneyville,	19	1	3	.	2	.	106	50 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	16 00	....
Broad River,	Richard Hudgins	Uriah Ownby,	Bat Cave,	23	.	.	4	1	2	98	16 20	80	.....	.....	.....	.....	1886

CONSTITUTION.

We, the members of the Baptist Church of Jesus Christ, who have, on profession of our faith in Him, been immersed, believing that the Holy Scriptures are the only standard of faith and duty for Christians, enjoining as they do zealous and continued effort in promoting the cause of our blessed Lord, do now unite in this Association under this Constitution, for the advancement of the objects therein stated.

ARTICLE 1st. This Association shall be called the CAROLINA BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, and shall be composed of representatives chosen by each church in the Union, from among the number of its own members, who shall carry to each meeting of the body, certificates of their election, with a statement of the membership, conditions and prospects of the church they represent, the names of its licensed and ordained ministers, and such contributions as have been made for benevolent objects, which shall be appropriated only as the donors may direct.

2nd. This Association shall meet annually, and shall be organized as soon as the names of the representatives are enrolled, by the election of a Moderator, a Clerk and a Treasurer, by ballot, who shall hold offices until the next annual meeting.

3rd. Each church shall be entitled to a representation of three delegates, and an additional one for every 50 members in excess of one hundred.

4th. The Association shall be governed by such Rules of Order as it may from time to time adopt.

5th. Any church holding the principles of the doctrine of Christ, and the order of His house, as generally held by those denominated Baptists, may connect itself with this Association at any meeting of the same.

6th. The decisions of the Association shall, in all cases, except in the matter of amendments to the Constitution, be made by a majority vote, but amendments to the Constitution must be adopted by a two-third vote. Amendments may be adopted at any meeting of the Association.

7th. The Association reserves the inalienable right to expel any church that abandons the principles of this organization.

8th. This Association holds that the churches of Christ, though not possessed of any sovereign authority, are, nevertheless, in their government, independent of each other, and of all other ecclesiastical organizations, and accountable to no tribunal, but to Christ only, and holds that while it is the duty of all churches, in temporal matters, to be obedient to the laws of the land, in spiritual matters, they should be obedient alone to Jesus Christ their only head and law-giver.

9th. While this Association holds that each church of Christ is an independent body, as above stated, it does not regard itself an advisory council, although it does not deem it amiss to give counsel, and answer queries, when petitioned by the churches; but, the Association is of opinion that the best mode of settling differences between churches, is to take the same scriptural steps as are prescribed for the settling of difficulties between members; that the church that feels aggrieved should send a statement of the cause of grievance to the sister church which gave the offence, and if it will not give Christian satisfaction, then call upon one or two sister churches to assist in a settlement, and if the offending church will not listen then, then report the same to this body which

will not pay any attention to such complaints unless the above course of pro cedure has been complied with.

10th. This Association will not admit, or receive, any church into membership in the union, that is known to be in disorder, or composed of members excluded from another church of the same order of this Association.

11th. Any church in good standing in this Association shall at any time be allowed the privilege of withdrawing from the same.

12th. This Association may correspond and form a brotherly union with any Baptist organization holding similar views of doctrines and duty, with those held by this body.

13th. This Association may appoint as many Boards, or Committees, as may be necessary for carrying on the business and accomplishing the objects of its organization. These, when so appointed, shall make reports at the times appointed by the Association.

14th. The minutes shall be read and corrected, if necessary, in the morning of each day of the session, and at the close of the last day.

15th. As the business of the Association must be finished before its adjournment, no member shall be allowed to depart from any of its sessions without leave.

16th. The Association shall keep a book in which this Constitution, and a minute of each session shall be recorded, which book shall be present at every meeting of the Association.

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RULES OF ORDER.

1. The annual meetings of the Association shall open by singing and prayer, at half-past ten o'clock, on the Thursday before the first Lord's day in October in each year. At this hour the Moderator, or in his abscence the Clerk, shall call the members to order, when the certificates will be presented, and the names of the members enrolled. This body will then be organized by the election of officers, and thus organized, attend upon the introductory discourse, at the close of which the Association will take recess or proceed to business.

2. The order of business is to open the door—1. For membership. 2. For correspondence. 3. For any business coming up regularly.

3. The Association shall on each day open and close with prayer by the Moderator, or a brother, at his request. The title of "Brother" shall be used in all the meetings of this body.

4. The Moderator shall preside in the meetings of the body, keep and decide questions of order, subject to appeal from members.

5. Questions shall be decided by "Aye" or "No;" doubtful cases by the rising of the members to their feet until they are counted.

6. The Moderator shall appoint all committees, except those ordered by ballot.

7. In all cases by bollot, the Moderator may vote; in other cases he may not, unless the body be equally divided, or unless his vote, if given to the minority, will make the division equal, and in that case the question shall be lost.

8. A member may, on motion, submit any subject to the consideration of the Association that relates to its design or objects, and if seconded, it shall receive due consideration, except it be withdrawn by the mover with the consent of the body.

9. If two or more members shall rise to speak at the same time, the Moderator shall decide the priority of right.

10. If a member shall violate any of these rules, any member may, but the Moderator shall, call him to order.

11. No member shall speak on the same subject oftener than twice, without leave of the Association. except to explain.

12. A member, in making a motion, speaking, or in debate, shall rise and address the Moderator respectfully.

13. When a motion is made and seconded, it shall be stated by the Moderator before debate.

14. When the Moderator is putting the question, or addressing the body, no member shall walk out of or across the house, nor, when a member is speaking, enter into private conversation, or pass between the speaker and the Moderator, but all are required to pay strict attention.

15. No member shall leave the house without leave of absence from the Moderator.

16. When a question is under debate, no motion will be received, except to amend; to postpone to a given day or indefinitely; to lay on the table, or to adjourn, which is always in order, and decided without debate.

17. One member only shall speak at a time, who shall not be interrupted, unless he depart from the subject under consideration, use words of personal reflection, or is called to order.

18. The Clerk shall keep a fair record of the proceedings of each meeting, prepare them for the press, keep a regular file of them, and bring or send it to each meeting, and on going out of office, put it in the hands of his successor.

19 The Treasurer shall receive and have charge of all monies and specialties of the Association; pay out money to order of the body only, and at each meeting present a statement of his department.

20. The Association shall appoint at each meeting two of her ministering brethren, with alternates—one to preach the Introductory Sermon on the first day of the next meeting, directly after the organization of the body, and the other to preach the Associational Sermon on the Lord's day, directly after the morning sermon. At the close of the Association sermon, a collection will be taken up from the audience in support of one or more of the benevolent objects sustained by the Association.

21. The Association may have an address to the Churches prepared and published with the Minutes whenever she may think proper.

APPENDIX.

REFUGE BAPTIST CHURCH, HENDERSON CO., N. C.,
November 5th, 1886.

In accordance with the recommendation adopted by the *Henderson County* and *Carolina* Baptist Associations, as appears in the foregoing records, the following named delegates from their respective churches, assembled at Refuge Baptist Church in joint Convention, this day, for the purpose of considering a proposition to bring the two Associations together and form one organic body.

At eleven o'clock, devotional exercises were conducted by Elder James Blythe, and the Convention was called to order under the election of Elder W. B. Johnson as Chairman, and Elder G. S. Jones as Secretary.

Representatives from the following churches were then enrolled:

CAROLINA ASSOCIATION.

Beulah—H. D. Drake.

Cross Roads—W. A. Fortune.

Mountain Page—Reuben Staton, Elders J. R. Rhodes and J. W. Middleton.

Oak Grove—T. E. Waters, Elders J. L. Brookshier and T. J. Waters.

Double Springs—Elder W. B. Johnston.

Green Mountain—J. B. Freeman.

Shaw's Creek—G. W. Allen and W. H. Davis.

Oak Grove, (S. C.)—J. J. Campbell and Elder Alex. Pruitt.

Friendship—J. E. Guice, Elders James Blythe and A. J. Corn.

Green River—J. B. F. Pace.

Refuge—Thomas Gibbs, Elders Wm. Case, R. M. Gilbert and J. A. Staton.

Golden Hill—R. J. King.

Pleasant Hill.—R. T. Drake.

Mt. Olivet—Elder M. D. Corn.

Cedar Springs—A. Capps and Elder M. Heatherly.

Churches in the Henderson County Association represented as follows:

Mt. Moriah—J. H. Justice and Elder John Liverett.

Ebenezer—J. J. Blythe.

Liberty—L. J. Ledbetter.

Hooper's Creek—James Garren.
Bear Wallow—J. W. Freeman.
Salem—J. A. Gallamore.
Hendersonville—J. Williams and Elder G. S. Jones.
Mills River—A. E. Brown and Elder G. K. Moore.
Pleasant Grove—John Rickman.
Mt. Gilead—Elder S. C. Owen.
Mud Creek—J. D. Nelson.

The Convention was then permanently organized by the election of Elder James Blythe Moderator, and Elder G. S. Jones Secretary.

J. B. Freeman presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That a special committee of three from each Association be appointed to present to this body some definite propositions touching the purpose of the present Convention.

Moderator appointed the following: J. B. Freeman, J. R. Rhodes, W. B. Johnson, G. S. Jones, J. Williams, S. C. Owen, and the name of Moderator Blythe was added to the committee.

Committee took recess till 3 o'clock p. m., when the above named committee made the following report:

Your committee entrusted with the presentation of some definite proposition touching the matter of Associational unity between the two bodies here represented, respectfully submit,

1st. That it is both desirable and practicable for the Carolina and Henderson County Associations to be united under one and the same Constitution and name, and that the union thereof be now so declared under the name of "THE CAROLINA BAPTIST ASSOCIATION."

2nd. That all associational appointments now pending as to time and place and introductory services for next annual meeting be made subject to this Convention.

3rd. That the plans proposed by either of the said bodies at their late sessions, as to Associational Missions and Sunday-school work, be entrusted to the management of one Board consisting of six members, three from each Association.

4th. That the first annual meeting of this body as now declared united under the name aforesaid, to-wit: The Carolina Baptist Association, shall be held with the Refuge Church, on Thursday before the first Sabbath in October, 1887, and that Elder J. B. Boone be appointed to preach the introductory sermon. Elder J. W. Middleton, alternate.

5th. That all the churches within these Associational limits, not represented in this Convention, be informed of our present action, and respectfully requested to send delegates to the annual meeting above mentioned.

6th. That the proceedings of this Convention be published as an Appendix to the forthcoming minutes of each Association, under cover of same, for the year 1886, and that a collection be now raised for additional expense of printing the same.

Respectfully submitted,

Committee, { J. B. FREEMAN, J. WILLIAMS, W. B. JOHNSTON, G. S. JONES, J. R. RHODES, S. C. OWEN.

The above report, after due consideration, was adopted unanimously, (one vote excepted.)

On motion, a committee consisting of J. H. Justice, Thos. Gibbs and R. Staton, was appointed to nominate three members for each of the Boards.

The following names were presented and accepted,—as additions to a like number already appointed by the Henderson County Association—to wit:

Mission Board—Joshua Pruitt, A. Hart and J. B. F. Pace.

Sunday School Board—J. B. Freeman, A. Pruitt and Luther Johnston.

J. B. Freeman introduced the following.

Resolved, That we recommend to our Associational and Sunday School Boards the propriety of employing a general Sunday School Missionary to labor in the bounds of this Association, beginning in early Spring.

Pending consideration, the convention adjourned to 10 o'clock Saturday morning.

Benediction by the Moderator.

SATURDAY MORNING.

Convention met. Prayer by brother Brown. In the absence of the Secretary, Elder J. W. Middleton was made Secretary protem.

The resolution on general Sunday School Missionary work was called up, and after remarks by brethren Freeman, Middleton, Brookshire, Ledbetter, Prof. Brown, A. E. Brown, was adopted. During this discussion, it was mentioned that Bear Wallow Sunday School has not failed to meet every Sabbath, for the past *fourteen years*. "*A Model School*." Prayer for Sunday School success was then offered by J. B. Freeman.

A resolution of thanks for the hospitality of the community as offered by J. W. Middleton was adopted.

After some happy fraternal remarks by various brethren the body adjourned to meet at Refuge Church on Thursday before the 1st Sabbath in Oct. 1887.

JAMES BLYTHE.
Moderator.

G. S. ONES, Secretary.
J. W. MIDDLETON, Assistant Secretary.